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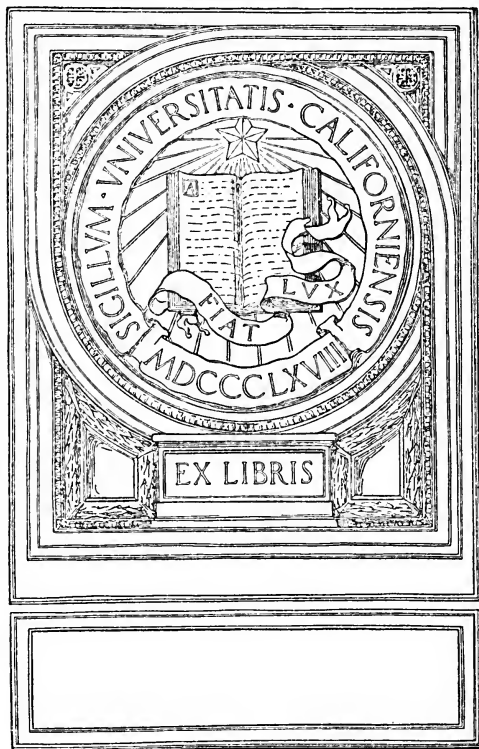
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*“It is the generations of children to come who appeal to us to save them from the affliction which we have endured and forgotten.”* WILLIAM DWIGHT WHITNEY.



# HANDBOOK OF SIMPLIFIED SPELLING

## PART 1

### ENGLISH SPELLING

#### AND

### THE MOVEMENT TO IMPROVE IT

#### Spelling, Its True Function

Spelling was invented by man and, like other human inventions, is capable of development and improvement by man in the direction of simplicity, economy, and efficiency. Its true function is to represent as accurately as possible by means of symbols (letters) the sounds of the spoken (i. e. the living) language, and thus incidentally to record its history. Its province is not, as is often mistakenly supposed, to indicate the derivations of words from sources that are inaccessible except to the learned, or to perpetuate the etimologic gesses of the partly learned.

#### Anomalies of English Spelling

English spelling, owing to the conditions that governed the growth of the English language, now presents many anomalies. The same letter, or combination of letters, often represents many different sounds; while the same sound is often represented by many different letters, or combinations of letters.

The combination *ough*, for example, represents at least 9 different sounds in the words *cough*, *rough*, *though*, *through*, *plough*, *hough*, *thorough*, *thought*, *hiccough*; and the sound of *e* in *let* is represented in at least 12 other ways in the words *aesthetic*, *bury*, *head*,

*friend, heifer, foreign, Leicester, leopard, many, oecumenical, said, says.*

There ar at least 20 different ways of representing the sound of *sh*, as in *ship* (*ship, sure, issue, mansion, schist, pshaw, conscience, conscientious, moustache, nauseous, suspicion, partial, partiality, mission, ocean, oceanic, machine, fashion, fuchsia*) ; at least 24 ways of representing the sound of *a*, as in *fate* (*a, aye, bay, arraign, straight, weigh, vane, vain, vein, obey, allegro, reign, champagne, gauge, demesne, gaol, Gael, dahlia, halfpenny, Maine, matinee, ballet, eh, yea*) ; and so on.

Many words contain, in writing and printing, letters that ar not sounded at all in speech, as *b* in *lamb, debt*; *c* in *scissors*; *e* in *are, have, heart, lived*; *g* in *diaphragm*; *h* in *ghost, school, rhyme*; *u* in *build, honour, mould*; etc.

Our spelling has become so irrational that we ar never sure how to spel a new word when we hear it, or how to pronounce a new word when we read it.

### Like Chinese

Indeed, the present tendency in the scools is to disregard the fonetic basis of English spelling, and to treat the written and printed words as ideographs—like Chinese—the pupils being taught to recognize a word by its appearance as a whole, rather than by a futil attempt to analize the supposed sounds of the letters composing it. Vast amounts of mony and incalculable years hav been spent in efforts, never wholly successful, to teach children to memorize the intricate and unreasonable combinations of letters that conventionally represent the spoken words of the English tung—a feat that, more than any other accomplishment, is unreasonably assumed to stamp them as “educated”.

## English Spelling Originally Fonetic

English spelling was at first practically fonetic, like the spelling of Latin, Spanish, Italian, Polish, and most other languages, and changed as pronunciation changed. In its case, however, various causes combined to interfere with this orderly process. Among them were the variations in the early dialects, the different spelling systems of the Norman conquerors, the later different spelling system of the imported Dutch printers, the bungling attempts during the Renaissance to make our spelling "etymological," and the continual ingrafting of words from other living tongues in their foreign spellings — spellings that they retained with slight modifications after their pronunciation had greatly changed in English speech.

English writers before the invention of printing, and for some time afterward, largely followed their own notions in regard to spelling, but the general aim was to indicate the pronunciation of the spoken word; and it is possible for scholars to determine with a fair degree of accuracy how English was pronounced at different periods in those days.

## Invention of Printing, Effect on Spelling

With the invention of printing, however, English spelling began to crystallize into more or less fixed forms. This took place gradually through the action of the "chapelers", or printing houses, in selecting from the current spellings of a given word the one that most pleased the fancy of the master printer, and adopting it as the "office style". Unfortunately, the earliest printers of English were natives of Holland, who, with far too little knowledge of English or of its proper pronunciation to fit them to be arbiters of English spelling,

nevertheless changed the forms of many words to conform with their Dutch habits of orthography. The unnecessary *h* in *ghost* (Dutch *gheest*, but later *geest*), *aghost*, *ghastly*, *gherkin*, are examples of this influence, which also produced *ghess*, *ghest*, *ghittar*, etc.—in which the *h* gave place to *u* under French influence—and *ghospel*, *ghizzard*, *ghossip*, etc., from which the *h* was later simplified away.

### Printers Disagree

There was lack of system, moreover, even in the best printeries. Type-setters were largely itinerant, carrying their own ideas of spelling with them. Proof-reading was a type-setter's job, and often ill-done. It is not unusual to find different spellings of the same word—sometimes on the same page—in books printed as late as the 18th Century.

The crystallization of our spelling became more uniform as printers, in time, for their own convenience, conformed their respective "styles" more closely to one another. But there has never been entire agreement among printers on questions of spelling, capitalization, punctuation, etc.; and every office today has its own style sheet or style book, which is likely to differ in some particulars from those of other printeries.

### Early Spelling Reformers

Under the guidance of craftsmen, rather than of scholars, the spelling of English nevertheless continued to exhibit interesting variations, as many writers, in their efforts to spell words more nearly as they pronounced them, from time to time succeeded in overcoming the disinclination of the printers to deviate from their accustomed practice.

While some of these writers desired merely to give expression to their individual preferences in spelling, there were others who made deliberate efforts to bring about a general orthographic reform. As early as 1554 John Hart wrote a book on the "unreasonable writing of our English tongue", and 15 years later he published "An Orthographie" containing his proposals for the improvement of English spelling. In the meantime, Sir John Cheke (1557) and Sir Thomas Smith (1568), both secretaries of state of Edward VI, had advocated in print radical reforms in spelling, the latter proposing an alphabet of 37 characters. William Bullokar (1580) also suggested an alphabet of 37 characters; Dr. Gill, a celebrated master of St. Paul's School, London, suggested (1619) one of 40; and Bishop Wilkins (1633) another of 37.

James Howell, in his "Grammar" (1662), urged a number of simplifications in spelling, some of which—such as *honor* for *honour*, *logic* for *logique*, *sin* for *sinne*, *war* for *warre*, *bodily* for *bodilie*, *bear* for *beare*, *wit* for *witt*, and their analogs—were now in general usage; while others—*bel* for *bell*, *tru* for *true*, etc.—were still regarded by many as startling innovations. John Ray published (1691) a "Note on the Errours of Our Alphabet".

These names do not by any means exhaust the list of 16th and 17th Century scholars who called attention to the lack of system in English spelling, and suggested plans for bettering it.

### Classical Influences

In the meantime, and more particularly in the 16th Century, many writers of English, more familiar with the literatures of Greece and Rome than with the his-

tory of their nativ tung, sought to emfasize their clas-sical erudition by attempts to indicate in their spelling the real or supposed derivations of English words from the Latin and the Greek. In this way *b* came to be inserted in *debt* by those who deemd it important to trace the origin of the word directly back to the Latin *debitum*, rather than thru the French *dette* (early modern English *dette*, *det*). Thus, too, came *c* into *scissors*, from a supposed derivation of the word from the Latin *scindere*, whereas its true basis is *caedere*, to cut. The Old French form is *cisoires*. Chaucer has *sisoures*. So, also, came *s* into *island*, assumed to be derived, like *isle*, from the Latin *insula*, whereas the *i* really represents a quite independent Old English word that survives in *ey-ot*, *Batters-ea*, *Angles-ey*, *Aldern-ey*, etc. *Isle* itself, tho so speld in the earliest Old French, with the *s* pronounst, had been simplified to *ile*, to accord with the changed pronunciation, at the time the word was adopted into Middle English as *ile*, *yle*. It was speld *ile* by Shakespeare, Ben Jonson, Milton, and other modern English writers.

### Unsounded and Unsound

The unsounded and misleading *g* was inserted into *sovereign* thru a desire to connect it with *reign* (Latin *regnare*), whereas the word comes from the Low Latin *superanus*, and is speld *souerein* by Chaucer, *sovrán* by Milton. The *g*'s in *foreign*, *deign*, *campaign*, hav not even so poor an excuse as this for their use; they can only plead an indefensible analogy. But the *g* looks learned to the uninformd, and makes the spelling harder. Examples of such pedantic distortions of English spelling during this period might be multiplied indefinitely.

## Johnson's Dictionary Blocks Progress

Then came Dr. Samuel Johnson. At a time when English spelling was stil unsettld, when etimology was largely based on geswork, and English filology was in its infancy, his literary reputation gave to his dictionary (1755) an "authority" far beyond that which it—or, indeed, any dictionary compiled at that time—could possibly merit. His classical leanings led him to prefer spellings that pointed, rightly or wrongly, to Latin or Greek sources; while his lack of sound scholarship prevented him from detecting their frequent errors and absurdities. A good illustration is his preferring *ache* to *ake*. The Middle English verb was *ake* (Old English *acan*); the noun was *ache* (Old English *aece*, *ece*), pronounst in Shakespeare's time like the name of the letter *h*. Altho the pronunciation of the noun had changed to that of the verb in Johnson's time, he speld them both *ache* on a false assumption that they wer derived from the Greek *achos*.

Thru whim or indolence he approved in certain instances spellings that wer inconsistent with those he adopted for other words of the same general clas. Thus, while retaining the Latin *p* in *receipt*, he left it out of *deceit*; he speld *deign* one way, and *disdain* another; he speld *uphill* but *downhil*, *muckhill* but *dunghil*, *instill* but *distil*, *inthrall* but *disenthral*. A few of his inconsistencies wer adjusted by later lexicografers, but more wer not. In other instances his carelessness permitted him to deviate in the text from the spellings given in the vocabulary.

Johnson's dictionary, with all its imperfections, was nevertheless accepted by printers, scoolmasters, and the general public, as "authoritativ", and its spellings as "correct". It gave standing to an incorrect theory

of orthograpy, and to a vast number of unhistorical, illogical, and unsientific forms, a large proportion of which stil persist, in spite of the efforts of later and riper scolarz—including the foremost English lexicografers—to introduce reforms. Words that hav greatly alterd in pronunciation since Johnson's day continue to be speld as Johnson speld them; and the change and growth of our flexible language has faild to be recorded by an orthograpy that owes much of its inflexibility to his influence.

### Ineffectiv Protests

Individual protestants against this unsientific rigidity of English spelling continued to arize, but their protests wer little heeded; because those competent to speak with authority wer few in number, and wer generally too remote from the public ear to make their voices heard; because they spoke in opposition to prevailing custom and belief; and because they lackt organization and suitable channels of expression. In their publisht works they wer compeld to follow the "office rules" or to pay their own printing bils, which few of them could afford to do. There has been little improvement in this respect to the present day.

### Benjamin Franklin Urges Reform

Benjamin Franklin, practical printer and filosofer, utterd his protest against the irrationality of English spelling in a "Scheme for a New Alphabet and Reformed Mode of Spelling" (1768), and later went so far as to compile a dictionary based thereon, and to hav special types cast for printing it. He thought he was "too old to pursue the plan", however, and the work was never printed.



## Noah Webster Carries Out Reforms

Noah Webster, whose "American Dictionary" (1828) is the basis of all the later revisions and amplifications that bear his name—and of some that do not—was a radical and outspoken advocate of spelling reform. He set forth his views in an essay on "The Reforming of Spelling", first printed in 1789, and now available in a reprint issued by the Old South Association, Boston. He ventured to simplify several classes of words in his dictionary, and by so doing aroused a storm of protest that gradually died down in the United States as the shorter forms made their way into print and general usage, and now mark the difference between the so-called "American" and "British" styles. Yet many, who today habitually use the simplified spellings Webster introduced, regard any deviation therefrom as a mark of illiteracy, and denounce all proposed deviations in the direction of further simplicity, and of Webster's recorded preferences, as iconoclastic, fantastic, and destructive of English literature.

## Dictionary Editors for Simpler Spelling

Some of the earlier editors of Webster, more timid than he, were slow to follow his example, but the leading English lexicographers of the present day have openly expressed themselves in favor of simplifying English spelling, and have given place, and sometimes preference, in their dictionaries (Century, Oxford English, Standard, Webster's) to many of the simpler spellings that have been recommended by the learned societies of which they were members.

Other eminent scholars and writers of Webster's day and later who called attention to the imperfections of English spelling were William Mitford, Archdeacon

Hare, Walter Savage Landor, Isaac Pitman, Bulwer Lytton, Alexander J. Ellis, Horace Mann, Alfred Tenyson, Matthew Arnold, Max Müller, and Jacob Grimm.

### Filologists Favor Spelling Reform

Important advances in the study of the history of English have been made in the last three-quarters of a century. More and more scholars, educators, and men of letters have become aware that its spelling has failed to keep pace with its growth or to record its changes, have been able to perceive the causes of its backwardness and to understand the needless burdens that English spelling imposes on all who have to learn it, to teach it, and to use it, and the obstacle it presents to the use of English as an international language—a use for which, as Grimm pointed out, it is in all other respects peculiarly adapted. And these scholars and writers, including men recognized as the highest authorities in their respective fields both in Great Britain and in America, many of them members of the Philological Society (London) and of the American Philological Association, began in the last quarter of the 19th Century a serious and concerted agitation for the improvement of English spelling.

### Fonetic Spelling Reformers

A contributing factor was the movement for fonetic reform that followed Isaac Pitman's invention of fonographic shorthand, at first (1837) called "stenographic sound-hand." Seeking to extend the principle of his system to longhand and printing, Pitman, in association with Alexander J. Ellis, a scholarly filologist and fonetician, devised a fonetic English alphabet, promoted it in his *Phonographic Journal* (founded 1842), and organ-

ized the Phonetic Society (1843). His alfabet, as "reduced to a satisfactory working state" in 1847, consisted of 40 letters. Of these 16 wer new, and not all of them wer tipografically good.

Even if Pitman's alfabet had been beyond sientific and esthetic criticism, it would hav stood little chance of adoption. The temper of the English-speaking peoples is unfavorable to violent changes in the written and printed page. The printing trade wil always oppose the addition of new letters to the alfabet and wil never accept them until forst to do so by an insistent public demand. To ad several letters at one time would not only compel every printing house to purchase large quantities of the new tipes and of specially arranged cases to hold the enlarged fonts, but would involv costly los of time while compositors wer learning the new letters, the new spellings, and the new positions of all the letters in the new stile of case.

### Unsuccessful Experimenters

Actually, Pitman's fonetic alfabet never advanst beyond the experimental stage. He kept making changes that wer confusing to those who tried to follow him, and that Ellis did not approve, thus dissolving their association. Pitman's uncertainty encouraged others in England and America, both educators and lay experimenters, who had been converted to the fonetic idea, to put forth individual modifications of the Pitman alfabet, and, in some cases, schemes of their own invention. Several of these experimenters—some of whom had little or no filologic or fonetic training—went to the expense of having special tipes cast, and sought to defray it by the sale of primers, readers, books, and periodicals, printed in the new caracters.

None of them gained any considerable following. Teachers and the public were inclined to regard the conflicting schemes of these rival reformers with indifference, or with suspicion as commercial rather than as purely scientific and educational enterprises. Nevertheless, this propaganda for phonetic reform, actively carried on for more than 30 years by determined, if mutually disagreeing, enthusiasts, had a beneficial effect. It undoubtedly stimulated philologic experts to unite in directing public attention to the irrationality of English spelling, and to make moderate and reasonable proposals for its gradual simplification.

### American Philologists Take Action

The American Philological Association, in 1875, appointed a committee consisting of Professor Francis A. March, of Lafayette College; Professor J. Hammond Trumbull and Professor W. D. Whitney, of Yale; Professor S. S. Haldeman, of the University of Pennsylvania; and Professor F. J. Child, of Harvard, to consider the whole subject of the reform of English spelling. The Association made many recommendations based on the successive reports of the Committee.

An International Convention for the Amendment of English Orthography was held in Philadelphia, August 14-17, 1876, "to settle upon some satisfactory plan of labor for the prosecution of the work so happily begun by the American Philological Association and various other educational associations in this country and England". The attendance was widely representative of British and American scholarship.

The members of the convention organized as a Spelling Reform Association; annual and quarterly meetings were held, the membership was largely in-

creast, a *Bulletin* was issued, addresses wer made, articles wer written, and in these and other ways the members "set themselves to produce and concentrate dissatisfaction with the old spelling". The recommendations of the American Philological Association, which included certain changes in the alfabet, and many simplifications of spelling, wer adopted. A special list of 11 words, *ar, catalog, definit, gard, giv, hav, infinit, liv, tho, thru, wisht*, was approved for immediate use, with particular emfasis on *hav, giv, liv*.

The desirability of the reform of English spelling was urged, previous to 1880, by several State Teachers' Associations, by many influential journals, and by men of such eminent scholarship as President F. A. P. Barnard, of Columbia; President Noah Porter, of Yale; President D. C. Gilman, of Johns Hopkins; Professor A. P. Peabody, of Harvard; and Professor James Hadley, of Yale.

### British Teachers and Filologists Organize

The National Union of Elementary Teachers, representing about 10,000 teachers in England and Wales, past almost unanimously, in 1876, a resolution in favor of a royal commission to inquire into the subject of English spelling with a view to reforming and simplifying it.

A British Spelling Reform Association was organized in 1879, with A. H. Sayce, professor of filology, Oxford, as president; and with Alexander Bain, professor of logic, Aberdeen; Charles Darwin; Alexander J. Ellis, president of the Philological Society (London); J. H. Gladstone, sientist and author of "Spelling Reform" (1878); John Lubbock; J. A. H. Murray, editor of the Oxford English Dictionary; Isaac Pit-

man; Walter William Skeat, professor of Anglo-Saxon, Cambridge, and author of the English Etymological Dictionary; Henry Sweet, the eminent filologist and editor of Old and Middle English texts; and Alfred Tennyson on its list of vice-presidents, which included three former presidents of the Philological Society.

The Philological Society, in 1880, recommended many changes in the spelling of English words, which were printed in a pamphlet entitled "Partial corrections of English spellings approved by the Philological Society". The American Philological Association took joint action with the Philological Society on the amendment of English spelling in 1883, on the basis of which 24 joint rules were printed in the *Proceedings* of the American Philological Association for that year.

#### N. E. A. Adopts 12 Words

This movement, begun with so much enthusiasm both in England and in America, was carried on in the United States by the Spelling Reform Association for more than 30 years. The National Education Association, in 1898, gave its approval to the movement and adopted the simplified spellings known as the Twelve Words (*catalog, decalog, demagog, pedagog, prolog, program, tho, altho, thoro, thorofare, thru, thruout*), and has used them in its publications ever since. (In 1916 the Association adopted the rule for simplifying *-ed* to *-t*, when so pronounced, in past tenses of verbs. See page 26.)

Unfortunately, while the Spelling Reform Association had in its ranks the best scholarship in the country, it had in its treasury only such funds as the scholars themselves could contribute—not enough to carry on an effective campaign.

## Simplified Spelling Board Continues the Movement

When support for an activ propaganda was offerd by Mr. Carnegie in 1906, the Simplified Spelling Board was organized to conduct it, drawing its membership from the American Philological Association, the Philological Society (London), the Spelling Reform Association, the Modern Language Association of America, the National Education Association, the American Association for the Advancement of Science, and other representativ bodies of scholars and educators, as wel as from the front rank of men of letters and men of affairs. The Board thus continues without historical break the movement started by the American Philological Association in 1875, counting among its giding spirits the men most prominently associated with the movement from its organized beginnings on both sides of the Atlantic.

### Advizory Council

The membership of the Board is, for convenience, limited to 50; but, in order to hav the benefit of as wide and representativ expression of educated opinion as possible in reference to its immediate and future proposals, the Board invited a large number of scholars, educators, and others interested in intellectual and social progress to act as an Advizory Council.

The qualifications for membership in the Council ar the same as those expected for membership in the Board—a belief in the principle and in the immediate practis of simplified spelling in some degree, and a recognized status and influence as educator, scholar, writer, or man of affairs. It is representativ of all parts of the country and of all fases of educated opinion favorable to the general idea that English

spelling can be and ought to be improved. It constitutes a body upon whose united opinion the general public may confidently rely. Its membership is approximately 250.

### Purpose of the Board

The chief aim of the Simplified Spelling Board is to arouse a wide interest in English spelling and to direct attention to its present caotic condition—a condition far worse than that existing in any other modern European language—in the belief that, when the peoples who speak English understand how imperfect for its purpose their present spelling really is, they will be eager to aid an organized, intelligent, sistematic effort to better it, as it has been slowly betterd here and there by individual effort in the past.

The simplification of spelling is not an unconscious process, inevitable without human effort. Every changed spelling now in general use—and few words hav escaped some change in spelling, iether for the better, as *fish* from *fysshe*, *dog* from *dogge*, or for the worse, as *rhyme* from *rime*, *delight* from *delite*—was once the overt act of a single writer who was followd at first by a small minority. If there is to be substantial improvement in the future, somebody must be willing to point the way, to set the example, to propose the next step in advance.

This responsibility the Board has undertaken in the interest of the coming generations. Having among its members not only scholars and educators, men of letters, and men of affairs, but also specialists in linguistic sience, including the editors of leading dictionaries—British and American—it claims the right to be credited with some knowledge of the English language, of



the history of English orthograpy, and of the difficulties to be overcome in simplifying it. It believes that these difficulties can best be met and overcome under the leadership of an association organized for the purpose, in order that every simplification proposed shall have behind it a sufficient weight of educated opinion to commend its acceptance by the public.

### Not Radical or Revolutionary

The Board, accordingly, mindful of the history of English spelling and the nature of its growth, does not propose any "radical" or "revolutionary" scheme of reform, or any sudden and violent changes. Far from desiring immediately to relax the existing rules and analogies of English spelling, it aims to make them more certain, to extend them, and to enforce them, so as to get rid of needless exceptions and to produce a greater regularity.

On the other hand, the Board makes no claim to "authority", and its proposals must stand on their own merits, each for itself. There is, in fact, no final standard of orthograpy. Nowhere is there any authority to set up such a standard. Spelling is never stable. All that the accepted dictionaries can legitimately do is to record the varying usages. Their editors have received no charter to decide finally between conflicting forms. Their function is fulfilled when they have stated the facts.

### Gradual and Progressiv

The Simplified Spelling Board, however, as an independent body of men, who have at heart only the interests of civilization, makes its appeal to the reason of mankind. It desires to establish a better and more

reasonable usage in respect to the spelling of some words, and to restore former usage when that is better and more reasonable than modern usage. It desires to do this gradually, in keeping with the genius of the language, and progressively, in accordance with the spirit of the race.

### Principles Adopted

Its recommendations, accordingly, have been based on the following principles:

- 1) When current usage offers a choice of spellings, to adopt the shortest and simplest. **EXAMPLES:** *blest*, not *blessed* (1 sil.) ; *catalog*, not *catalogue*; *center*, not *centre*; *check*, not *cheque* or *checque*; *gage*, not *gauge*; *gram*, not *gramme*; *honor*, not *honour*; *license*, not *licence*; *maneuver*, not *manoeuvre*; *mold*, not *mould*; *plow*, not *plough*; *quartet*, not *quartette*; *rime*, not *rhyme*; *tho*, not *though*; *traveler*, not *traveller*.
- 2) Whenever practicable, to omit silent letters. **EXAMPLES:** *activ*, not *active*; *anser*, not *answer*; *bluf*, not *bluff*; *definit*, not *definite*; *det*, not *debt*; *eg*, not *egg*; *engin*, not *engine*; *frend*, not *friend*; *hart*, not *heart*; *helth*, not *health*; *promis*, not *promise*; *scool*, not *school*; *shal*, not *shall*; *suf-fraget*, not *suffragette*; *thru*, not *through*; *trolly*, not *trolley*; *yu*, not *you*.
- 3) To follow the simpler rather than the more complex of existing analogies. **EXAMPLES:** *aker*, not *acre*; *buro*, not *bureau*; *deciet*, not *deceit*; *enuf*, not *enough*; *maskerade*, not *masquerade*; *spritely*, not *sprightly*; *telefone*, not *telephone*; *tung*, not *tongue*; *wize*, not *wise*.

- 4) Keeping in view that the logical goal of the movement is the eventual restoration of English spelling to the fonetic basis from which in the course of centuries and thru various causes it has widely departed, to propose no changes that ar inconsistent with that ideal.

### Outline of Program

Of course, as long as this process of progressiv simplification is going on, inconsistencies wil remain in English spelling; but critics should bear in mind that the inconsistencies ar here now, and that every simplification adopted reduces the total number and helps to make the spelling more nearly uniform and more rational than it was before. Even when every simplification possible with our present alfabet is adopted, English spelling, like the spelling of every other language, wil stil fall short of sientific precision and perfection; but it wil be vastly improved over what it is today. If the English-speaking races of that day should become dissatisfied with the imperfections then remaining in English spelling, the adoption of a more nearly fonetic sistem of orthografy may wel be left to them.

### Stedy Progress Toward the Goal

In the meantime, it is no sufficient argument against making some improvements now that they ar not those ultimately most desirable. Such an attitude, if universally maintaind, would hav blockt all progress in the past. Those who would postpone the encouragement and adoption of any reform in spelling until a perfect sistem should be evolvd, ar in the position of those who would refuse to improve their morals until the arrival

of the millennium—an attitude that would forever prevent it from arriving. And just as there can be no general agreement among mankind today as to exactly what the millennium will be like when it comes, so it is futile for any man or any body of men to predict the precise form in which we shall spell when our spelling shall be as nearly adapted to its purpose as will satisfy human requirements.

The best we can do now is to view our goal as an ideal toward which we must progress with what speed we may along the way marked out for us by the principles that plainly lead to it.

### Activities of the Board

The Board maintains an Executive Office in the City of New York, and holds an annual meeting in April, at which it receives reports of the progress made, discusses and adopts plans for the future, elects officers, etc. Between meetings, the work is carried on under the direction of the Trustees.

Immediately on its organization the Board began an active propaganda by sending forth a preliminary circular in which it asked those who sympathized with its aims to take a simple initial step. Inclosed with the circular was a list of 300 common words of which alternative spellings, one more simple and regular than the others, are given by the leading dictionaries and sanctioned by the usage of eminent writers. All who approved the aims of the Board were asked to sign a card agreeing to use the simpler forms as far as practicable.

The response to this circular was beyond expectation. Within a few months many of the leading philologists, educators, scientists, and men of letters, announced their adhesion; and thousands of teachers, physicians,

lawyers, clergymen, and other professional men; business men, firms and corporations; editors and publishers signed the agreement. The number of these "Signers" is constantly increasing; but even so, it represents only a small proportion of those who approve and use the simpler spellings, as has been established by special canvases and thru correspondence.

### Influential Support Enlisted

The Board of Superintendents of New York City in 1906 unanimously recommended the use of the List of 300 Words in the New York City schools.

The Modern Language Association of America, in the same year, adopted the same list for use in its publications, and has since accepted the later recommendations of the Board, and has in some instances gone beyond them.

President Roosevelt adopted this list (300 Words) in his official correspondence; and his recommendation in 1906 that the Government Printing Office adopt the same style, when not otherwise requested, gave the movement wide publicity. The discussion that followed, both in the Congress and in the press, afforded the friends of orthographic reform an extraordinary opportunity—of which they did not fail to take advantage—to present their arguments and appeals. The results of this publicity were distinctly favorable.

The National Education Association, in 1907, approved the work of the Simplified Spelling Board, and directed the use of the simpler spellings of the 300 Words in the publications of the Association. (See also pages 14 and 26.)

State Teachers' Associations in all sections of the country passed resolutions favorable to the movement.

Leading periodicals and newspapers, including the *Literary Digest*, *Independent*, *Current Literature*, *Educational Review*, *Quarterly Journal of Economics*, *Chicago Tribune*, and *Minneapolis Journal*, were prompt to approve the work of the Board and to adopt some of its recommendations.

### General Progress

In the course of the next 7 years the Board issued and freely distributed 3 more lists of recommended spellings; an Alfabetic List of all the words included in the first 3 lists; and 21 other circulars, setting forth arguments for the reform of English spelling, written by eminent men in various callings.

It appointed many volunteer Local Agents; supplied speakers of note to make public addresses; organized a leag of periodicals and newspapers and began in 1909 the quarterly publication of the *Simplified Spelling Bulletin*, to serv as a medium of news and discussion.

By these and other legitimate means of publicity the Board gaind additional thousands of adherents, counting among them a great many members of the faculties of American universities, colleges, and normal scools; teachers in elementary and high scools; professional and business men. A gratifying number of institutions of higher learning formally approved the movement, and adopted the use of simplified spellings in their official publications and correspondence. Scool sistems in many cities and towns granted permission to teach the simpler spellings in their clasrooms; and the authors of several spelling-books included the recommendations of the Board iether in the main text or in an appendix. Commercial firms and corporations in great numbers, and many of them of high reputa-

tion, began a rapidly increasing use of simplified spellings in their office correspondence and advertizing.

### Simplified Spelling in Great Britain

In the meantime eminent advocates of better spelling in Great Britain organized (September 10, 1908) the Simplified Spelling Society, with eventual objects identical with those of the Simplified Spelling Board, and to work in simpathy with it. Its membership included Walter William Skeat, its first president, James A. H. Murray, Henry Bradley, F. J. Furnivall, and William Archer, of Great Britain; James W. Bright, Andrew Carnegie, and Thomas R. Lounsbury, of America, all members of the Simplified Spelling Board; Gilbert Murray, J. W. Mackail, and A. S. Napier, professor of English, Oxford; H. C. K. Wyld, professor of English, Liverpool; William Ramsay, James Bryce, H. Stanley Jevons, Edward Dowden, Walter Leaf, G. C. Moore Smith, Frederick Pollock, Alfred W. Pollard, Walter Ripman, and many other men of distinction in scholarship, letters, and public life.

### S. S. S. Makes Rapid Hedway

The Society began at once an activ propaganda, issuing many pamphlets and circulars, and publishing a monthly magazine, the *Pioneer of Simplified Spelling*. Its membership rapidly increast, many prominent scool men and women enthusiastically enlisting for the reform. Michael E. Sadler, vice-chancellor of the University of Leeds; H. G. Wells, the novelist; Daniel Jones; G. B. Hunter, bilder of the "Mauretania"; W. H. Rouse, hedmaster of Perse Grammar Scool, Cambridge; and W. Temple, hedmaster of Repton Grammar Scool, wer notable recruits.

## International Conferences

A conference between delegates from the Board and the Society, selected for their filologic competence, took place at University College, London, in September, 1911. A similar conference, pland for 1914, was prevented by the breaking out of the War. The Society goes somewhat farther than the Board in its recommendations, and has adopted a fonetic scheme of notation in which only the present letters of the English alfabet ar used. The two organizations ar, however, in thoro accord as to the ultimate aim of the reform; and the British experiment is watcht with interest from America.

## Imperial Education Conference

An Imperial Education Conference, attended by officially appointed delegates from all the provinces of the British Empire, was held in London, April and May, 1911. "English Spelling and Spelling Reform" was the subject of addresses by E. R. Edwards, an Inspector of the Board of Education, and by A. H. Mackay, Superintendent of Education, Nova Scotia, a member of the Simplified Spelling Board. The Conference thereupon adopted the following resolution:

That this Conference is of the opinion that the simplification of English spelling is a matter of urgent importance in all parts of the Empire, calling for such practical steps in every country as may appear most conducive to the ultimate attainment of the end in view—the creation, in connection with the subject, of an enlightened public opinion and the direction of it to the maintenance, in its purity and simplicity among all English-speaking peoples, of the common English tongue.



## **Petition for an Imperial Commission**

Encouraged by this overwhelming expression of British educational approval, the Simplified Spelling Society drafted a petition to the Prime Minister, asking for the appointment of an Imperial Commission, "which should include scholars, teachers, men of letters, and men of business", to consider the whole question of the reform of English spelling, "to report whether reform be practicable, and, if so, to indicate what ought to be its nature, and how it may best be introduced".

Many thousands of signatures have been obtained to this petition in all parts of the British Empire and in the United States. It will be presented as soon as conditions are more favorable for its consideration and for the carrying out of its specified objects.

## **Aggressive Campaigns in America**

The Simplified Spelling Board, shortly after the issue of its Fourth List, resolved to propose no further changes in spelling until the recommendations already made should be still more widely accepted, but to devote its income and energies mainly to an intensive field campaign of education. Field Representatives of professorial rank were engaged, and in 1914 an aggressive campaign was organized to win a more general official approval of the aims of the Board by the leading educational institutions of the United States.

## **Universities, Colleges, and Normal Schools**

The results obtained by this campaign in the following years were extremely gratifying. Several hundred universities, colleges, and normal schools, with tens of

thousands of teachers, and hundreds of thousands of students, were led either to use simplified spellings in their official publications and correspondence, or to permit students to use them in written work. Nearly 40 per cent of these institutions, including many State universities, formally approved the movement, in most cases by faculty resolution, and adopted in all cases more than 200 of the simpler spellings, and in some cases many more.

Returns from a questionnaire addressed in 1916 to all the American universities and colleges (exclusive of those for Negroes and Indians) listed in the Educational Directory issued by the United States Bureau of Education, showed that 57 per cent of these institutions (72 per cent of those heard from) recognized and accepted the simplified spellings of the Board; and that nearly 25 per cent had agreed to use simpler spellings in their official publications and correspondence. Only 18 per cent placed themselves on record as opposed to the movement. The institutions comprising the remaining 25 per cent either gave noncommittal answers or failed to respond to repeated inquiries.

### National Education Association

The most noteworthy result of the Board's activities among the members of the teaching profession was the action taken by the National Education Association in adopting (July 7, 1916) the spelling *-t* for *-ed* in past tenses of English verbs ending in *-ed* pronounced *t*, and in consistently using it in its official publications and correspondence. The Association, by its acceptance of this rule—which simplifies the spelling of more than 900 words in addition to the Twelve Words adopted in 1898—and by its preference for the simpler of alter-

nativ spellings having dictionary recognition, as shown by its action (1907) in directing the use of the simpler spellings of the 300 Words in its publications, approves and regularly uses about 1,500 simplified spellings.

### Newspapers and Magazines

The rapid increase of educational support encouraged the Board to undertake coincidentally a special campaign among editors and publishers to promote the use of simplified spellings in the press. As a result, hundreds of newspapers and periodicals—including the *Philadelphia North American*; *Chicago Post*; *Cleveland Press*; *Cincinnati Post*; *Worcester Telegram*; *Detroit Times*; *Denver Post*, *News*, *Times*, *Express*; *Columbus Citizen*; *Louisville Herald*; *Des Moines Capital*, *News*; *Topeka Capital*, *Journal*; *Seattle Star*; *Lincoln Nebraska State Journal*, *News*; *Wichita Beacon*; *Tacoma Ledger*, *News*; *Peoria Journal*; and many other dailies in important cities—are now using the Twelve Words and most of the other simpler spellings in the List of 300 Words. The total circulation of all these publications is counted in millions.

The National Editorial Association (1916), “desiring to cooperate with the National Education Association, the Simplified Spelling Board, and other educational organizations, in their efforts to accustom the general public to the use of simplified spelling in print”, approved the use of the Twelve Words, adopted them for use in the official publications and correspondence of the Association, and recommended their use by individual members in their respective newspapers. Similar action was taken by various other editorial and newspaper associations.

## Handbook of Simplified Spelling

Experience gained in these several campaigns soon developed three outstanding needs: *first*, a Handbook of Simplified Spelling that should cover succinctly the various phases of the subject treated in the separate circulars issued up to that time by the Board, and to take their place for general distribution; *second*, a general revision and more complete coordination of the rules; and *third*, a selection of the rules most suitable for special emphasis at the present stage of the movement, with an alphabetic list of all the words in common use simplified in spelling by the rules, for incorporation in the Handbook.

The preparation of such a Handbook was accordingly begun, under the direction of the Trustees, by the Secretary; while the work of revision and selection of the rules was carried on by the Filology Committee of the Trustees, specially appointed by the Board as a Committee on Review, Plan, and Scope. After long-continued and painstaking deliberations, the Committee submitted its conclusions, which were approved, rendering possible the publication of the Handbook — issued originally in 3 separate parts — of which this (pages 1-32) is Part 1.

Part 2 sets forth the leading arguments in favor of the simplification of English spelling, and replies to the objections commonly made by defenders of the current orthography. (Redy July, 1919.)

Part 3 presents the rules for simplified spelling that the Board recommends for general use at the stage the movement has now reached, a special list of words in simpler spellings not covered by the rules, and a dictionary list of words changed in spelling by these recommendations. (Redy October, 1919.)

## A Patriotic Service

Pending the completion of the important tasks involved in the preparation of the Handbook, the Board measurably reduced its field activities, which the unrest in the colleges and schools, incidental to the reorganization of educational work to meet the conditions imposed by the country's entry into war, in itself made advisable. As more favorable conditions develop, the Board will expand its efforts to the extent that financial support and volunteer effort may be forthcoming. It trusts that the great part that a rational simplification of English spelling can take, not only in the more speedy Americanization of our foreign population, but in rendering English more available as a means of international communication, will forcibly appeal to all those who cherish these patriotic aims, and will make it possible to continue on an enlarged scale its work for this important educational reform.

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# HANDBOOK OF SIMPLIFIED SPELLING

## PART 2

# THE CASE FOR SIMPLIFIED SPELLING

## INTRODUCTION

### Scope of the Handbook

Part 1 contains a brief sketch of the history of English spelling, showing how and why, in the course of centuries, it has ceased to function as a guide to pronunciation; an account of the successive efforts, beginning as early as 1554, to restore this function; a report of the progress made by the Simplified Spelling Board since its organization in 1906.

Part 2 presents the arguments in favor of the simplification of English spelling, and replies to the objections commonly made by defenders of the prevailing orthography.

Part 3 contains the Rules for Simplified Spelling that the Board recommends for general use at the present stage of the movement, a Special List of words in simpler spellings not covered by the Rules, and a Dictionary List of the words in common use changed in spelling by these recommendations.

## REASONS FOR SIMPLIFYING

### Choice of Methods

It has been shown by abundant example in Part 1 that English spelling is marred by absurdities and inconsistencies that call for improvement if it is ever to

be made a satisfactory instrument for recording the sounds of English speech.

A choice of two ways lies open to those who would undertake the task. They may elect to reform our spelling suddenly or gradually — by immediate adoption of a fonetic scheme of notation, or by progressive elimination of present irregularities.

### Fonetic Goal

The Simplified Spelling Board has put itself on record as recognizing that the ultimate goal of the movement is, and must logically be, a fonetic alphabet with enough letters to represent, at least approximately, each separate sound heard in the standard English speech. By "standard English speech" is meant English as spoken by those whose training and scholarship entitle them to be considered as authorities on the subject; and among whom — whether American, British Insular, or British Colonial — there is substantial agreement. This standard pronunciation is recorded, likewise with substantial agreement, in the leading dictionaries by means of various "keys to pronunciation." These "keys" are, in fact, fairly accurate, though inconvenient, and in only one instance scientifically simple, schemes of fonetic notation.

### Reasons for Gradual Approach

It may reasonably be asked why the Board, having this ideal goal in view, advocates its attainment by gradual approach rather than at a single bound. The answer is, for the same reason that we walk across the street instead of leaping from curb to curb. The one is the customary, natural method of reaching our destination, and one that experience has shown to be well

within our powers. The other is theoretically more expeditious, but practically would delay all progress while mankind was seeking to develop a degree of muscular energy and concentration of purpose beyond anything of which it has hitherto proved itself capable.

### The Customary Method

The changes that have been made in English spelling in the past have all come into use gradually, one or two at a time — so gradually, in fact, that at all times, as today, there have been, and are, many words spelled in more than one way on equal authority of good usage. Accordingly, in proposing further changes, the Board has preferred to follow the customary method, natural to the genius of the race, rather than to attempt to force the acceptance of an entirely novel and violently revolutionary scheme of spelling, no matter how ideal and scientifically admirable it might be.

### Acceleration Possible

“Gradual,” however, is a word of elastic definition, and gradual progress may be made much more rapidly and surely under one set of conditions than under another—under the conditions that the Board aims to establish, for example, than under those that have hitherto prevailed.

The changes that have appeared in English spelling in the past have been the results of individual initiative and example — some of them inspired by knowledge, reason, and common-sense, but others resulting from erroneous notions concerning the true function of spelling, from ignorance of the history of the language, and from etimologic or filologic incompetence, yet accepted by a public misled by the supposed learning of

writers whose literary reputations were won on other grounds than sound scholarship in English.

The Simplified Spelling Board believes that changes based on a thorough knowledge of the history of English spelling, formulated by philologic experts, put forth by a society composed of leading scholars, lexicographers, educators, men of letters, and men of affairs, and made the subject of an organized propaganda, will win recognition and acceptance much more rapidly than sporadic and haphazard changes left to take their chances in appealing to popular fancy.

### Practical Considerations

Moreover, as a body of practical men with vision — not visionaries — the Simplified Spelling Board at its inception recognized that it stood face to face with a very general spirit of opposition to any change in English spelling.

This opposition expressed itself in many ways, but was itself an expression of the inborn conservatism that is one of the strongest characteristics of the English-speaking peoples, and one of their best characteristics when based on logical deductions from past experience. Unfortunately, the opposition to spelling-reform, while based on misinformation, or no information, and on bad habits slowly acquired and firmly fixed, was not the less powerful on that account.

### The Thin Edge of the Wedge

The Board, accordingly, early perceived that no real progress could be made until this opposition should be penetrated and disintegrated by spreading correct information in regard to English spelling, and by appealing to the enlightened judgment, the hatred of sham

and pretense, and the spirit of fair play, that are even more admirable characteristics of the race.

It seeks by the moderateness of its recommendations to disarm antagonism; by getting some of the simpler spellings into wider use, to demonstrate their reasonableness; to accustom the public to the idea that there is nothing sacrosanct about the spelling of any word; and so to open the way to a more general and systematic advance.

### Policy of the Board

The policy adopted by the Board in making its recommendations is fully set forth in Part 1, pp. 16 - 20, and in Part 3, pp. 2 - 4. Briefly, it is to follow the simpler rather than the more complex of the existing analogies, to drop silent letters whenever practicable, and to propose no changes — even for the sake of immediate advantage — that violate established fonetic principles, and so would impede direct progress toward the goal of a practically fonetic notation of the sounds of English speech.

### Illustrations of Policy

For example, the convention that *e* final silent after a single consonant indicates that the preceding vowel is "long," is common in English spelling. To adopt it as a general rule would shorten the spelling of many words in accordance with prevailing analogies, and in particular would abolish the disturbing *gh* (formerly pronounced) in words like *fight*, *light*, *night*, etc., by spelling them *fite*, *lite*, *nite*, etc. Unfortunately, this convention is unfonetic and, tho practically convenient, is scientifically awkward. The Board recognizes it, by recommending that *e* final be dropped in words like *ac-*

*tiv* (e), *definit* (e), *determin* (e), *promis* (e), etc., where the preceding vowel is "short" ; retains it — until the public is prepared to accept a better principle of notation — in words like *alive*, *finite*, *define*, etc., where the preceding vowel is "long" ; but does not advise its extension.

### Silent Letters as Diacritics

To indicate the quantity or quality of a vowel by the addition of another, silent, letter, insted of by a diacritic mark, or "accent," is a frequent, and — with the present paucity of vowel signs, and the wel-founded prejudice against diacritics — a defensible practis in English spelling. Iether method is a makeshift; and, while the use of diacritics is the more sientific method, the use of silent letters has certain practical advantages. The objection to it on sientific grounds is that it givs rize to vowel combinations that ar not — what all vowel combinations should be — true difthongs. To separate the diacritic sign — whether a simple mark or another letter — from the vowel it is used to qualify by an intervening consonant is, however, clumsy and unsientific, demanding amendment.

### Not Inconsistent

In recommending the spellings *delite* and *spritely*, the Board does no violence to its principles, since in these two instances it seeks merely to restore historic and les objectionable forms. *Delight* came into the language as *delite*, and has no relation to any of the words ending in *-ight*. Its changed spelling, to accord with a more complex analogy, was made without justification. A similar attempt to change *sprite* to *spright* was not permanently successful, but by a curi-

ous perversity the form *sprightly* has persisted in use. The adjectiv should, of course, be regularly formd from the noun by the simple addition of *-ly*, and should not involv a change in the spelling of the primitiv.

The Board has exercized similar care in making all its recommendations, and apparent inconsistencies can be shown to be such in appearance only. To analize all the recommendations in detail would take space that would excede the limits of the present publication; but the Board, thru its Secretary, wil at all times be glad to make clear in correspondence any points that may remain doubtful in the minds of readers of the Handbook.

### More Correct Sientifically and Historically

The changes that the Board recommends wil make our orthografy more correct than it is now both sien- tifically and historically, because its recommendations ar consistently made with a view to restoring English spelling to the practically fonetic basis on which it was founded. The Board does not make the claim that all its recommendations wil result in restoring historic spellings, tho literary precedent can be found for most of them; for English spelling, while practically fonetic in its origins, was imperfectly so. The ultimate aim being to establish a consistently sientific mode of spell- ing, the Board hopes, as in course of time this objectiv is more nearly approacht, that the imperfectly fonetic historic forms wil gradually disappear, giving place to better notations.

### Make It Easier to Spel Correctly

The simplifications in spelling proposed by the Sim- plified Spelling Board, as they become accepted as good

usage, will make it easier for those who write English to spel in accordance with the usage then current than it is today to spel in accordance with the usage now current. This applies, of course, more especially to those who shall be taught the new usage originally than to those who have laboriously learned the present usage by force of memory, and who may prefer to adopt the new. But even these, when they shall have mastered the few simple principles set forth in this Handbook, will find it easier to spel correctly — that is, in accordance with current usage.

This will be because every simplification proposed eliminates one or more of the present irregularities, and either extends the prevailing analogy, or substitutes a simpler and more reasonable analogy — in most cases based on historic precedent — for two or more conflicting analogies.

It needs no profound argument to demonstrate that the more nearly English spelling can be made to approach absolute regularity, by doing away with confusing and arbitrary exceptions, with conflicting analogies, and with needless or misleading silent letters, the easier it will be to learn it and to write it.

### One Final Rule for Spelling

With the ultimate adoption of a fonetic scheme of notation, there would be only one rule for spelling — “Spel as yu pronounce.” It would then be easier to spel correctly than incorrectly. It is no objection that in that case individuals might not always agree with one another as to the spelling of certain words, or with the spelling representing the conventional standard of pronunciation. Since the spelling would correctly represent the speech of the writer, it would present no



more difficulty to the eye of the ordinary reader than the current variations in English pronunciation present to the ear of the ordinary listener.

### An Invaluable Record

Such variations in spelling as would inevitably occur in the writing of persons of limited schooling, or as would be used by more highly educated persons who wish to enforce their own methods of pronunciation, would automatically constitute an invaluable record of the variations in English speech in different localities and at successive periods. In other words, the history of the growth and development of the living English tongue would be preserved in the writings of those who spoke it — a result impossible of attainment, even by scholars, with the crystallized, conventionalized English spelling of the last two hundred years.

### Talking "by Ear"

Since our current orthography bears no real relation to the present pronunciation, but is at best an imperfect attempt to represent that of the Elizabethan period, English pronunciation has become almost entirely a matter of oral tradition — as unsafe a guide in regard to correctness in speech as it is in regard to correctness in history. We learn to talk, and continue to talk, entirely "by ear," and with the same tendency to uncertainty and variation as do those who play music by ear. The musician who wishes to play accurately, however, can correct his faulty memory or wrong impressions by reference to the printed score, which exactly represents to him the sounds recorded by the composer. No such convenient and infallible guide exists for those who wish to speak English accurately.

### Slovenly Speech Due to Present Spelling

This dependence on oral tradition is responsible for the slovenly and slipshod pronunciation so prevalent and so deplorable, and against which those who revere the language, and who desire to preserv its purity and precision, vainly contend. It is responsible for that failure to indicate the respectiv values of the vowel sounds, especially in unstrest sillables, and of certain consonants, that now mar the speech of even the most highly educated. It is responsible for the tendency to slur over many sounds, to run words together, to adopt passing fads, and to create wide divergences in the English spoken not only in separate parts of the world, but in different sections of each country.

### Better Spelling, Better Speech

If all who speak English could always hav had before their eyes in every book, magazine, and newspaper, the pronunciation of every word indicated by its spelling, it is difficult to believ that so wide departures from the accepted standards of English speech as ar prevalent today could hav occurd.

Changes in pronunciation ar inevitable in every living language, of course, and wil not be stopt by adhering to spellings that represent former rather than current values; but if spelling changed with pronunciation, the changes themselvs would rapidly become standardized, since every one who could read would speedily learn what they wer, and would be led to adopt them.

Changes in spelling made by individual writers would direct attention to the new pronunciations indicated, and would giv rize to comment and discussion. More heed would be paid to pronunçiation; and with

the constantly improving standards of education, and the eventual abolition of illiteracy, there would be a constantly increasing tendency to follow the best models.

Every step taken now to simplify English spelling, to make it represent more accurately the spoken word, is a step toward restoring the purity and precision of English speech.

### Spelling and Education

In the preceding pages the Simplified Spelling Board has undertaken to show that the changes it proposes will make our spelling more correct scientifically and historically, will make it easier to spel correctly, and wil tend to improve and to standardize pronunciation. These ar all positiv advantages appealing to those who know something of the past history of the language, who appreciate it for its richness and flexibility, and who love and admire it for the wonderful literature that has been written in it, and that forever wil be preservd in it, no matter in what spelling it was first written, and is now, or may hereafter be, printed.

It is, however, in considering its relation to education that the broadest and strongest, as wel as the most directly personal plea for a better mode of spelling can be made.

### Reason in Children

Since the bulk of human knowledge is recorded in books, one of the first steps in the education of the child is to teach him to read. Told that each separate letter, or group of letters, printed in his primer or reader represents a spoken word, the child, being gifted with reason, expects to find an invariable re-

lationship between the sound of any given word and the letters composing it. He soon discovers, to his dismay, that no such invariable relationship exists.

### Unreason in Spelling

The child finds that some words speld alike ar pronounst differently, and that other words pronounst alike hav different spellings; that the same letter may hav different values in a single word, and that in a single word the same sound may be represented by different letters. One thing he quickly learns — that there is no way in which he may surely determin when, or why, a letter that has one value at one time has another at another time; no certain way to tel how to pronounce a word he has never heard, or how to spel a word he has never seen.

### Distrusts His Own Reason

Confused and discouraged by the irregularities and contradictions in the spelling of so many of the words he most frequently meets, and humiliated by the “mistakes” he constantly makes when he attempts to reason from the spelling of a familiar word to the spelling of an unfamiliar word — percieving, in fact, that the more he depends on reason, the more likely he is to go wrong — he comes to distrust his reason in all that concerns spelling, and to rely entirely on his memory. This is, of course, good reasoning on his part, but he does not know it; for his teachers, in wel-ment but mistaken efforts to impart some educational value to the spelling-lesson, ar too prone to burden him with rules — themselvs overburdend with exceptions — that make him feel that there may be some sistem or order in it all that he is powerless to grasp. The

spelling-lesson thus becomes a real obstacle to the development of the child's reasoning powers.

### Atrophy of Logical Faculties

Unfortunately, the damage goes farther than this. Since spelling and reading form the gateway to most other forms of knowledge, and since the relationships between the facts he is taught in other branches are not always immediately or clearly presented to him, the school-child is led to put less and less trust in his logical faculties in all his studies, and to rely more and more on his memory. The child gifted with a naturally good eye-memory will be especially likely to follow this course, since he will soon perceive that an accurate recitation of the facts he has learned is more likely to win the approval of the average teacher than any of his infantile attempts to draw conclusions from them.

### False Value Placed on Spelling Ability

Because the absurdities and intricacies of our present spelling have made a mastery of them the most difficult and long-continued task of the average student, a false value has been placed on spelling ability. "Correctness" — in reality, mere conformity — in spelling is too generally assumed to be an indication of superior education, whereas — as has been shown — it is only evidence of a natural or a specially trained eye-memory.

The failure in after life of many high-stand students may be attributable to the fact that, in spite of their school and college pre-eminence, they were not truly educated at all, but had cultivated their memories at the expense of their reasoning powers.

Proof-readers as a class, by the nature and demands of their calling, the best spellers of English. The training responsible for their expert skill in this particular has been gained as craftsmen in printing-offices, and not as students in universities. The more intelligent the proof-reader, the less likely he would be to claim that his frequent occasion to correct the misspellings of eminent scholars, scientists, and authors, stamp him as their superior in information, education, or general culture.

### Reasonable Spelling of Other Languages

If English spelling were as nearly phonetic as Italian, Spanish, or even German, the school-child would soon perceive that spelling was governed by certain laws, by observing which he could pronounce correctly the words he met in writing or print, and could spell correctly the words that he heard spoken. The spelling-lesson would thus encourage him to rely on reason rather than on memory in his other studies also.

It is not claimed that the simplifications so far proposed by the Simplified Spelling Board will make English spelling comparable in simplicity and regularity with Italian, Spanish, or German; but the Board maintains that to introduce the teaching of simplified spelling, even at its present stage, into the public schools would, nevertheless, make the spelling-lesson an aid to the development of the child's reasoning powers.

The new spellings so greatly extend many of the simpler analogies, abolish so many of the complex analogies of the present spelling, and do away with so many misleading silent letters, as materially to reduce the existing irregularities, and to emphasize them as such.

Thus, the pupil, while still compelled to rely largely on his eye-memory for the spelling of many words and classes of words, would be led to look for, and to find, a logical basis for the spelling of many other classes of words.

### Placing the Blame Where It Belongs

While the pupil would be taught to *spell* only the simpler forms, he would — until these forms became adopted into general usage — learn to *recognize* the same words in their longer and more complex spellings when he encountered them in print. He would thus be led — sensibly or insensibly, according to the interest taken in the subject by his teacher — to understand that an effort was being made in his behalf to apply reason and common-sense to spelling. He would come to regard the remaining irregularities, not as inevitable and irremediable, but as unreasonable hindrances to be overcome now, and to be got rid of as soon as possible.

He would find his efforts to reason from the spelling of one word to that of another more likely to be correct in their results; while the more enlightened teachers would not treat his “mistakes” as humorous or reprehensible, but would applaud them as logical, pointing out that the real fault lay, not in the working of the pupil’s mental processes, but in current bad practice.

### Would Demand Better Spelling

As teachers came to recognize how much more easily their pupils learned the simpler spellings, and how greatly this lightened the burden of the spelling-lesson, it is not to be doubted that they would demand that the simplification of spelling be carried forward as rapidly

as possible, or that they would be supported by those who had been under their instruction.

Let it once sink into the consciousness of any generation that the irregularities, inconsistencies, and absurdities of English spelling are not only unnecessary but remediable; that English spelling not only can be made regular and logical, but has been made so in some important particulars; that there exists an organized body of scholars and educators equipped and eager to propose further reforms; and all who have experienced the advantages of a partial amelioration will unite in desiring the adoption of a more sweeping scheme of improvement.

### Would Save Valuable Time in Education

Since a simpler spelling is a less difficult spelling, easier to learn and easier to teach, it follows that its general adoption and use would effect a proportionate saving in time to both pupil and teacher. Saving of time means saving of money. This needs no demonstration in the case of the teacher, whose time has a definitely measured valuation.

The time of a school-child has at least a theoretical value. If it can be shown that the adoption of an improved mode of spelling would lessen the number of school-terms required to prepare the student to take his place as a worker, it will be apparent that the time he saves would have a value to him measurable in terms of dollars. It would have a value to the parent by shortening the child's period of non-productivity, during which the parent must bear the entire cost of his support. It would have a value to the taxpayer by reducing the total cost of education. It would have a value to the entire English-speaking world by the in-



creast productivity resulting from the earlier entry of successiv generations of students into the ranks of labor, business, and the professions.

### Future Benefits the Criterion

The actual saving in time, and correspondingly in expense, will depend on the extent to which the simplification of spelling is carrid. The worth-whileness of the movement must be judgd, accordingly, not by the saving actually made by the simplifications proposed now, but by the savings that may be effected at later stages of a progressiv advance — of which the present proposals ar but the first step — toward a completely simplified spelling.

### No Spelling Books in Spain and Italy

Fonetic spelling, in one form or another, has been, and is now, used by progressiv teachers in England and America as an introduction and an aid to the study of the current orthogرافy. Their experience is that children can spel correctly — that is, fonetically — the words they ar able to pronounce, as soon as they hav learnd the alfabet employd, and the principle of combining letters into sillables.

In languages such as Italian and Spanish, that hav approximately fonetic alfabet, approximately similar conditions prevail. There ar no spelling-books among the scool-texts of those countries for the sufficient reason that there is no need of them. So difficult is English spelling that two of the eight years spent in the grades ar needed by the average pupil to acquire an imperfect and uncertain acquaintance with it. If it could be brought to the same degree of fonetic exactness as the spelling of Italy or Spain, practically all

the school-time now given to spelling and reading could be saved. To bring it to such a degree of fonetic precision, however, would require the addition of several letters to the alfabet, since there are more sounds in English than in either Italian or Spanish.

### **Fonetic Approximation with Present Alfabet**

It has been estimated, however, that if all the simplifications of English spelling possible with the present alfabet should be made, it would be as nearly fonetic as German spelling. The schools of Germany devote about one year more time to native language study than do the schools of Italy and Spain, and about one year less time than do the schools of England and America.

Mathematical exactness is not claimed for these estimates. They are based on inquiries made at various times by educators and investigators employing different methods and working from different sets of data. The substantial accuracy of the estimates, however, is attested by their general agreement. In presenting them as a basis for financial calculation, the Board is willing to allow a wide margin of safety, and to assume that the adoption of a completely simplified spelling would save only one year's school-time to each pupil — the estimated saving if our spelling were to be made only as reasonable as German spelling, instead of as fonetic as Italian or Spanish.

### **Bad Spelling Costs Good Dollars**

The United States Commissioner of Education, in his Report for 1917, estimates that \$855,000,000 was spent for education in this country in 1915. Of this, approximately \$215,000,000 went for education in high schools, normal schools, technical schools, and institutions

of higher learning. This leaves \$640,000,000 as the cost of elementary education in all public and private schools and other institutions where it was carried on.

Assuming that the use of a rational spelling would effect a saving of one year's time in the grades, we have only to divide \$640,000,000 by 8, the number of grades, to find that the saving in 1915 would have been \$80,000,000. The number of children decreases in each successive grade, it is true, but the expense for each pupil advances, so that it seems fair to strike an average. The saving in 1920 would be actually, even if not proportionally, much larger, probably in excess of \$100,000,000.

### Utilization of Savings

The Board does not consider it necessary to go farther into the financial consideration—to figure out, for instance, the possible earning power, to themselves and to the state, of children released at an earlier age to industry, or the concurrent saving to parents. It believes that this wasted money could be better used by keeping the children in school another year, in order that they should go into the world better educated, better fitted mentally and physically, to take up the battle of life. The lamentable and unnecessary waste has been shown. Whether, if it shall ultimately be stopped, the savings shall go into the pockets of parents or into the heads of children is a question that the Board must leave to public conscience and good judgment.

### Waste of Nervous Energy

To the appalling and calculable waste of time and money must be added the no less appalling, if incalculable, waste of nervous energy on the part of teachers

and pupils alike. The spelling-lesson sets a brake against the orderly, reasonable, and natural course of education that not only impedes its progress as a whole, but impairs the efficiency of the working parts of its human machinery. It introduces an element of friction that raises the nervous temperature above normal, causes needless wear and tear, and is destructive of both temper and material.

Better methods of spelling, accordingly, will effect savings that can not be adequately represented in their entirety; but it is at least obvious that the more thorough the betterment, the less will be the waste. To those who love children, and their neighbors as themselves, the indeterminable saving of human energy and efficiency will appear no less worth while than those economies that may be set down in terms of time and money.

### Words Will Be Shorter

Simplified spelling means shorter spelling. Of the 32 Rules printed in Part 3 of this Handbook, 27 drop letters from words as now spelled; 3 involve transpositions of letters to reconcile conflicting analogies; and 2 involve substitutions of one letter for another, with the same object. In no instance has the Board recommended a change involving the addition of a letter to a word. Further simplifications will result in further abbreviations. A completely phonetic system of notation, indeed, would cause some words to be spelled with more letters than at present — such, for instance, as those that now represent the sound of a diphthong by a single character. *By* and *bind* are examples, *y* and *i* respectively representing a diphthong that would be indicated phonetically by the two vowels composing it — *a* (as in *artistic*) and *i* (as in *it*).

## Economies in Writing and Printing

Even with such exceptions, a fonetic spelling would save the writing and printing of many letters, and would permit the use of a greater number of words on the written or printed page. Estimates made with various experimental fonetic alfabets indicate a saving of at least 15 per cent. This would not only mean great economies of time and effort, and correlativly of expense, in writing, tipe-writing, and tipe-setting; but corresponding economies in paper, ink, and all other materials used in correspondence and in printing. It would effect reductions in the total cost of preswork, binding, and distribution (handling, postage, and express) of printed matter. The saving in newsprint paper alone would be enormous — a saving, moreover, that, to the convenience of the reader, would hav to be made by reducing the size rather than the number of pages, unless newspaper publishers wer redy to forgo printing ful-page and fractional-page advertizments.

## Cost of Useless Letters

The simplifications so far proposed by the Board and used in this Handbook would effect an economy of only about 1.5 per cent; but if all the unnecessary letters used in our current spelling should be dropt, the saving would amount to about 5 per cent.

On this basis, and using data obtaind in the census of 1900, Mr. Henry Holt, the publisher, a member of the Simplified Spelling Board, made a painstaking calculation of the mony that would hav been saved that year in the United States thru the adoption of such a degree of simplification in English spelling.

The total was in excess of \$35,000,000. In the present year (1920) it would be a great deal more. In

1900 the use of a really fonetic spelling would hav effected a threefold larger saving, or one of more than \$100,000,000.

### Responsibility of Leadership

The saving possible in 1920 is left to any enterprizing investigator to ascertain when the figures of the present census ar available. It is bound to be an objectiv wel worth striving for in the interests of individual, as wel as of national, economy and efficiency. A bad habit of spelling that imposes a needless annual tax, for education and printing, running into the hundreds of millions of dollars, is a habit that should be broken by united and determind effort.

It is not necessary, however, that the entire population should unite in this effort. It wil be sufficient if it is made by those thru whose example spelling-habits ar formd, and whom the others wil follow. It is to these, the leaders of American thought and action, that the Simplified Spelling Board makes its appeal. And it includes in this category every one who, convinst of the advantages of a simpler spelling, speaks in its favor or uses any of the simpler forms; for each such person thereby constitutes himself or herself a leader in thought and action, whether in the clasroom, the scool, the college, the social or business circle, or the community.

### Wil Aid Americanization

Statistics gatherd by the Government during the war reveald a percentage of illiteracy in English that was astounding to those who comfortably supposed that under a sistem of compulsory free education the number of nativ-born Americans who could not read or

write was negligible, and that foreners coming here wer, by some misterious "melting-pot" process of assimilation and naturalization, rapidly Americanized.

Events, even more than statistics, hav opend our eyes to the very real dangers that threaten our institutions thru illiteracy in English on the part of nativ-born and foren-born alike. A great patriotic "Americanization" movement is now under way, with "Education in English" as its slogan, and with objects with which the Simplified Spelling Board is hartily in simpathy.

### Illiteracy Due to Difficult Spelling

The Board beliefs, however, that the root of the trouble lies les in a disinclination to learn to read and to write English than in the difficulty of doing so — a difficulty inherent in our present unreasonable and unsistematic spelling. The advantages to be gaind by a knowledge of the language of the country in which one livs must be obvious to all, even the most ignorant; but when such knowledge is so hard to acquire as to baffle the efforts of many, the consequences must be such as ar now apparent.

The only way to remove the difficulty is to improve our spelling, so that it wil be easier to learn. This, more than anything else, wil lighten the labors of those who seek to carry on a campaign of Americanization by education. It is not the least of the benefits to be derived from a simplified orthografy.

### English as a "World Language"

Foreners, when brought into personal association with those who speak English, easily learn to speak English themselvs. Its grammar is simple. It has

great flexibility, due to its richness in terminology and its abundance of sinonims. It has an unsurpast literature, making a knowledge of it desirable by those who hav no call to speak it. In every respect, except one, it is best fitted to be the language of sience, commerce, and international communication.

The desirability of having such a language is apparent to every one. Knowledge of it would enable the people of every nation to talk, to correspond, and to trade with the peoples of every other nation on equal terms. This desirability has led to the invention of many ingenious artificial languages to serv the purpose.

### Failure of Artificial Languages

Granting that Volapük, Esperanto, and the rest, ar as satisfactory as the inventors and their followers contend, the fact remains that none of them has been successful. This is because there is no incentiv to learn an artificial language for other than commercial use, and no assurance that any one who takes the pains to learn it wil find those with whom he wishes to deal also familiar with it.

### Why English Has Faild

The superiority of English to every other language, natural or artificial, for use as a world language, would long ago hav forst its adoption as such — the first language that every forener would wish and need to know in addition to his own — wer it not for its complicated spelling. A language, in which to learn to spel imperfectly takes two ful years of scool-time in the countries where it is spoken, does not recommend itself to the forener as a convenient medium for conducting his relations with other foreners.



### Handicapt by Its Spelling

The simplification of English spelling, which would be of so much demonstrated benefit to those whose native tongue is English, would also remove the one obstacle to the use of English by many millions of foreigners. This wide-spread use of English would add incalculably to the prestige of the language and of the nations that speak it. It would be an invaluable medium for the diffusion of Anglo-Saxon ideas and ideals. We who speak English should have an advantage in not needing to acquire any other language; and it would not be to our disadvantage that we should have a more thorough knowledge and a better command of it than those with whom we have occasion to deal.

## ANSERS TO OBJECTIONS

### The Language Is Safe

The Simplified Spelling Board does not assume to know in advance every objection that will be made to simplified spelling, but it knows every objection that has been made; and it believes that in replying to those most commonly made, it will show the unreasonableness of all objections that have any weight whatever.

The recommendations of the Board have frequently been characterized as an "attack on the English language," whereas they are merely an attack on the prevalent English spelling. Spelling and language should not be confounded. They are as different as clothes and character. The proposal to improve our present spelling, so far from being an attack on the English language, aims to preserve its character, to give it a more appropriate and serviceable dress, and to extend its use and influence.

### “Board Lacks Authority”

Objection to simplified spelling has been made because those who propose and urge it ar a “self-appointed” body, without authority to change English spelling. The Board replies that the customary method of inaugurating any reform is by voluntary association and organization of those who strongly believ in it, and ar willing to giv time, effort, and mony to promote it. The Board has never assumed any authority to enforce its recommendations; it merely claims competence to make them (see Part 1, pp. 16, 17, 29 - 32).

### Not Good Enuf for Anybody

There ar some who hav at least profest to oppose orthografic improvement on the ground that a spelling that was good enuf for them is good enuf for their children. Unfortunately English spelling at present is not good enuf for anybody — not even for those who would deprive their children of any educational advantage not enjoyd by themselvs.

### Do These Remember HOW Hard It Was?

To argue for the retention of our present spelling on the ground that it affords good training for the memory is to place a higher value on a good memory than on good reasoning ability. Scool-children hav ample opportunity for memory-training while learning things better worth remembering than the confusing anomalies of English spelling.

### Homonims

Another objection sometimes heard is that simplified spelling wil abolish the distinction now existing between words having the same sound but different mean-

ings, like *ail*, *ale*; *bare*, *bear*; *bough*, *bow*; *beau*, *bow*; *to*, *too*, *two*; etc.

If that seems an objection, it will be offset by the service the simpler spelling will render in indicating the distinctiv sounds of words now speld the same way, but pronounst differently, like *bow* (a knot, to incline the hed); *lead* (a metal, to go before); *read* (present tense, past tense); *slough* (a swamp, to cast off); *sow* (a female pig, to plant); *tear* (water from the eye, to rend apart); etc.

As a matter of fact, easily demonstrable, different spellings ar not needed to distinguish homonims. No such distinction is made or is possible in the spoken language. The meaning is plainly indicated by the position of the word in the sentence, by its obvious relation to the other words. Write the sentence down, and the meaning will be as apparent in one spelling as another. Try it. "He said a glas of ail was good for what aled him." "He fought the bare with his bear hands." "Oh, that this to, two, solid flesh would melt!" Such spellings and worse, by illiterate persons, may cause amusement, but do not hide the sense.

Not only is it unnecessary to distinguish homonims by different spellings, but they ar actually so distinguisht in comparativly few instances. There is scarcely a word in the English language that is not used in more than one sense — some of them in many very different senses. *Box* is a good example. *Bank* is another. *Point* — a word, by the way, speld with fonetic precision — is used in more than a hundred different senses. A suggestion that more than a hundred different spellings should be invented to distinguish these separate meanings would be greeted with horror or lafter, as it was taken seriously or as it ought to be.

### “Too Much Trouble”

Some persons admit that the arguments of the Board ar sound, even incontrovertible, but object to a change on account of the trouble of learning a new way of spelling. To these the Board ansers that they ar under no necessity of going to that trouble. Persons of mature years, who hav laboriously learnd to spel in their youth, and whose habits ar fixt, can not be expected — ar not expected — to change their spelling-habit. With such persons spelling has become automatized, the hand automatically reacting to the brain, in which thoughts take form in words that the hand writes down in letters. The additional mental effort necessary for them to refrain from writing a useless letter would more than offset the saving of fisical effort, for a while. They wil, however, hav no difficulty in reading what is written or printed in the new spelling. No one who has red to this point in the Handbook can honestly say that he has faild to recognize every word.

### All Reforms Take Effort

Many, however, for the sake of example, and to show their interest, wil be willing to take some trouble to promote a cause that they believ to be good. No reform has ever been brought about, or ever wil be brought about, without effort; and the effort needed to change a spelling-habit is much les than is generally supposed. This has been proved time and again in the experience of those who hav adopted in practis the successiv recommendations of the Board. It is necessary to giv a little thought to the matter of spelling for only a few days to form the new and better habit.

The Board seriously asks all who ar theoretically convinst of the advantages of simplified spelling to use it

practically, even if it does cost a little effort, and even if its benefit to the individual is not immediately apparent. The really worth-while benefits of a better spelling will be les for the present than for future generations; but our children, and the generations that wil follow them, can not enjoy those benefits if the present generation wil not take some trouble, make some effort, now.

All that the Board asks of those who do not feel the impulse to make the effort, however, is not to oppose the efforts made by others. If, while they stand aside so as not to block the progress of the movement, they wil applaud and encourage it, so much the better; even if in doing so they employ in their writing the spelling to which they ar accustomed.

### Wil Not Make Present Books Unreadable

Objection to simplified spelling has been made on the supposition that it "wil cut us off from the literature of the past," meaning that those taught in the new way wil be unable to read the books red today. This can not be so, because the present spelling wil be no more difficult to read by one who has learnd to spel the new way, than is the new spelling by one who has learnd the old way. Children who hav learnd to spel in the simplified way wil, in fact, read the books printed today as easily as we read books printed one and two centuries ago.

### Past Literature Printed in Present Spelling

Those who make this objection can hardly be aware that the works of authors of former times that they enjoy and value ar not now printed with the spelling in which they wer written. Publishers habitually

modify the spelling in the successiv popular editions of standard authors to conform with current practis. The spelling of Shakespeare, even that of the translators of the King James version of the Holy Bible, does not appear in volumes printed today, but has been greatly, tho gradually, changed thru the centuries. Any one can verify this by comparison of modern with earlier editions.

Under the most favorable circumstances the simplification of English spelling is not likely to advance more rapidly than publishers can keep up with it. The average age of a printed book is about ten years. Works that ar in stedy demand ar in many cases reprinted oftener than that. Even in the event of the ultimate adoption of a completely fonetic spelling, scolars wil easily learn the older spellings, as they do now; while the ordinary reader wil always find everything that is worth preserving in English literature reprinted in the spelling of his time, as is the case today.

### Wil Not Ad to Present "Confusion"

To those who object that this process of progressiv change wil cause confusion, and that, with so many words speld in more than one way, it wil be impossible to maintain a standard—to tel whether a word is speld correctly or not—the Board ansers that such confusion has always characterized English spelling. There has never been a time in its history when many words wer not speld in different ways. The latest editions of the leading dictionaries print hundreds of words of which alternativ spellings ar given on equal authority of good usage; and the dictionary editors do not, by any means, agree in their preferences for particular forms. Hundreds of such words ar printed

in the Dictionary List in Part 3, distinguisht from the other words by their tipografy.

### No "Standard" Spelling

At no time has there been a standard English spelling. What is supposed to be the standard was set up, not by scolars competent to decide what the best spelling should be, but by printers who, for their own convenience and without filologic gidance, accepted — with later modifications — the arbitrary, so-cald "eti-mologic," and inconsistent orthografy imposed by Dr. Samuel Johnson, as described in Part 1, pp. 7, 8. There never can be a standard spelling of English until the spelling shal accurately represent the pronunciation. Then the standard spelling wil be that which accords with the standard pronunciation (see p. 2).

### Merely a Bad Old Fashion

What is cald, and taught as, the standard spelling is really only the fashionable spelling — as capricious and illogical as most fashions ar — which any one is as free to disregard as he is to wear a flexible felt hat insted of a stif silk "stovepipe," a "soft" shirt insted of one with a starcht bosom, comfortable foot-gear insted of shoes with pointed toes, or to adopt any other sensible, convenient, and appropriate attire.

Even if progressiv spelling-reform should temporarily ad to the present confusion, no harm wil be done; but rather good wil follow. In the first place, it wil serv to lessen the false value attaching to ability to spel in a particular, and unreasonable, way; and les time wil be given to attaining skil in what is a mere accomplishment, like turning handsprings or playing the ukulele. In the second place, when this right of per-

sonal preference in spelling again becomes generally recognized, the inevitable tendency will be to follow the more logical and sensible practis.

### The Real Confusion

The real confusion in English spelling arizes les from spelling words in different ways than from using the same letter, or combination of letters, to represent different sounds, and from representing the same sound by different letters and combinations of letters. All this confusion can be minimized if teachers and writers of English wil use the simpler forms. Each simplification adopted into usage reduces the total number of incongruities, and helps to make our spelling more uniform and regular than it was before.

### “Artificial” Changes

Many, however, who recognize the imperfections of English spelling believ that its reform wil come about thru what they term “the natural process” of change. They object to the proposals of the Simplified Spelling Board as an il-judgd attempt to force this “natural” process by “artificial” means. Believing the movement foredoomd to failure on this account, they refuse to support it, even while admitting that its object is praiseworthy.

### Basis of All Human Progress

Those who take this stand base their opposition on two false premises. The first is that it is not perfectly legitimate for man to employ artificial means to aid and to stimulate natural processes for his own advantage. A natural pas may afford the most convenient way to cros a mountain, but it wil be vastly improved



by bilding a good road thru it. Fruits and vegetables that grow wild in their natural state ar greatly and universally improved and adapted to human needs by cultivation. Every process of manufacture, from roasting a potato to bilding a battleship, involvs an artificial change in natural products. All civilization is based on man's ability to direct natural processes. We can not depend on Nature to improve her products. Weeds grow more abundantly than wholesome grains.

### The "Natural" Changes

The other false premis is that the changes that hav hitherto taken place in spelling ar results of natural processes. On the contrary, they hav always been the direct results of human effort. No change could possibly take place in the spelling of any word unless some writer first made it and others consciously adopted it.

Spelling, like all other human inventions if neglected, is subject to only one natural change — obsolescence and eventual decay. This is the "natural" change in English spelling that the Simplified Spelling Board desires, in the interest of all English-speaking people, to avert.

### The "Etimological" Bugaboo

The objection to the proposed changes in spelling that they wil "destroy etimology" — by which is only ment that they wil obscure the derivation of words — is stil heard, tho much les frequently than formerly. It is never heard from etimologists, who know — as has been shown in Part 1 (pp. 5 - 7) — that the present spelling is misleading as to the true derivation of many words; that a rational spelling would correct these eti-

mologic blunders; and that it would not "obscure derivation" to those familiar enuf with other languages to derive plesure or benefit from tracing English words to foren or ancient sources.

### Interesting to Few

How many of those who use English know anything about its etimology, or about the languages that hav contributed to its vocabulary? What percentage of college-graduates, even, has sufficient acquaintance with Anglo-Saxon, Old German, Old French, the Romance languages, for example, to find our present unpronounceable spelling of any real service to their better understanding of their nativ tung? Opposition to spelling-reform on etimologic grounds most frequently comes from those who hav some familiarity with Latin and Greek, but who seem to be unaware, or to ignore, that a large proportion of the words we commonly use ar derived from other than "classical" sources.

Etimologists hav alredy discovered and recorded the essential facts in regard to the history and derivation of English words. This information is available to all who ar interested in the subject. Such questions as remain open wil be settld without reference to the present or future spelling of English.

### Present Meaning Important

Knowledge of the derivation of words, moreover, is often misleading as to their present meaning. What possible help can it be to the correct use of the word *prevent*, for example, to know that it comes from a Latin word meaning to precede, to go before, and had that meaning at first in English?

What really concerns us today is the present meaning of words, not what they meant to others one, two, three, or more thousands of years ago. Misuse of a word in current speech or literature can come only from ignorance of English, no matter how learned in Greek and Latin the speaker or writer may be.

The time that can be given to English in the schools is so largely taken up in imperfectly successful efforts to teach pupils to read it and to spell it with accuracy, that too little attention can be spared for instruction in its proper use. Even if the so-called "etimologic" spelling were as helpful to a few classical scholars as its admirers claim it to be, to retain it would deny to the hundreds of millions who have no Latin or Greek the social and economic benefits that a simplified spelling would confer.

### Etimologists Advocate Simpler Spelling

Etimologists are ardent advocates of spelling-reform. Professor Walter W. Skeat, of Cambridge University, the great English etimologist, and author of the "Etimological Dictionary of the English Language," summed up the views of most other etimological scholars, when he said:

"In the interests of etimology we ought to spell as we pronounce. To spell words as they used to be pronounced is not etimological but antiquarian."

### The "Esthetic" Objection

Many persons are prejudiced against simplified spelling because the familiar words in their unfamiliar forms appear "ugly" to them. To oppose spelling-reform on this account is not to act in accordance with reason, but to obey an emotional reaction.

Whoever defends our present spelling on esthetic grounds must be prepared to uphold the principle that beauty of design should control the choice of letters in forming words. But as standards of taste are constantly changing, and differ widely in individuals at all times, to admit the validity of such a principle would be to sanction orthographic chaos.

### Words Have No Intrinsic Beauty

Few, however, would maintain that what they find pleasing in our present word-forms proceeds from intrinsic beauty of design. If such exists, it must be entirely fortuitous, due to the agreeable association of certain letters in combinations made for another purpose. Accordingly, any change in the scheme of notation is likely to give rise to as many pleasing combinations as it disturbs.

Those who have studied the principles of esthetics will know, and others may be assured, that what appears pleasing, or to give literary dignity or propriety to any word-form, is due, not to any intrinsic quality, but to visual habit and mental association.

### Ghost and Gost

Take the word *ghost*, for example. Always having seen it spelled in this way, we have come to associate the feelings aroused by the idea *ghost* with its accustomed form of visual representation. To meet the word in our reading instantly and instinctively excites those feelings in our minds. To meet the same word spelled *gost*, shorn of its familiar *h*, shocks us, and causes a temporary mental inhibition of the idea. The word seems to have lost, with the missing letter, something of the weirdness and mystery we have always associated

with it. To deny this would be to deny an experience common to every one who has used or red simplified spelling.

### A Dutch Superfluity

*Ghost* was originally speld in English, however, without the *h* (*gost*, *goost*, *gostē*, etc.). The extra letter was inserted by printers imported from Holland, whose Dutch spelling-habit led them to believ that it was needed to indicate that the *g* was to be pronounst as in *gun* and not as in *ginger*. That the superfluous *h* would increase the emotional reaction excited by the word was far from their thoughts, since they inserted it likewise in such words as *gospel*, *gizzard*, *gossip*, etc., producing the forms *ghospel*, *ghizzard*, *ghossip*, etc., from which the *h* was in time simplified away, as it was also, in Holland, from the Dutch equivalent *gheest*, later *geest*.

It can not be supposed that our forebears faild to get the same emotional reaction from *gost* that we do from *ghost*. No more is it to be expected that future generations, reverting to the earlier form, and bilding their mental associations around it, wil hav a different experience.

### “Ugliness” Merely Strangeness

What we call “ugliness” in the new forms is thus seen to be merely strangeness. When the sense of strangeness wears away, the impression of ugliness wil disappear with it. The new forms shock us now only because we so seldom see them. Those who habitually use them find them far more pleasing than the prevailing forms, because they ar economical, reasonable, logical, appropriate, and conform to a consistent and harmonious plan. As they come into more general

use, we shal find the old, illogical, meaningless forms, encumberd with useless and misleading letters, more “ugly” than the new.

### The Good of the Many

Even if it could be proved that simplified spelling would always be les attractiv to the eye than the conventional spelling, we should not be justified in opposing it, in view of its compensating advantages. In the march of human progress the plesure of the few must always giv way to the good of the many. Those who deplored, and stil deplore, the disfigurement of city and country senes by elevated railways, trolly-lines, telegraf and telefone poles and wires, and many other modern contrivances, nevertheless now find them endurable because of their convenience, and loudly complain of any interference with their regular operation.

### “I Don’t Like It”

The Board believes that it has now met with logical arguments every tipe of objection to spelling-reform in behalf of which a plea based on reason can be enterd. There remains one objection to which it can oppose no argument. It is the one that voices itself in the words, “I don’t like it.” For the person who is willing to take this stand, that settles it. If he does n’t like it, he does n’t, and that is all there is to it. He is by self-confession impervious to reason on this subject.

Since, however, he assumes the privilege of spelling as he likes, irrespectiv of all other considerations, he can not, in fairness, deny to others the right to spel as they like. He should not seek to enforce his un-reasoning prejudice on those who wish to spel in accordance with reason.

### “Piece-meal” Policy

There remains to be considered an objection, not indeed to spelling-reform, but to the policy adopted by the Board to bring it about. More and more frequently the complaint is heard that the Board does not go far enuf or fast enuf in its recommendations. This criticism comes, of course, from enthusiastic spelling-reformers who, with their eyes fixt firmly on the goal, fail to see, or affect to disregard, the rufness of the road that leads to it.

The more loudly and powerfully this form of criticism is voist, the more successful the Board wil regard its efforts. When it shal reflect the general consensus of public opinion, or even the view of an influential minority, the way wil be smoothd for a rapid advance.

In the meantime, it asks these critics not to underestimate the difficulties to be encounterd, or to imagin that they can be brusht aside by individual or spasmodic effort.

### Cutting Off the Dog’s Tail by Inches

A favorit figure of speech employd by those who object to what they call the “piece-meal” policy of the Board is that it is like cutting off a dog’s tail an inch at a time insted of all at once.

The simile is specious but inexact, and largely depends for its effect on the feeling of simpathy arousd for the imaginary victim. The tail of a dog is an integral part of his anatomy, useful to him as a means of expressing his emotions. Spelling is not an integral part of language, but something added to it by man to enable him to giv wider and more permanent expression to his thoughts and emotions — an extraor-

dinarily useful but wholly artificial appendage to language.

The last thing that spelling-reformers wish to do is to cut it off. Their sole aim is to make it better serve the purpose for which it is needed and used. The process of alteration must be to some extent tentative and experimental, but calls for no more sympathy than would the shortening of an alpenstock into a cane for a lame man, or the removal of caked mud, burs, and porcupine-quills from the tail of Ponto. The latter operation might give some trouble and perhaps pain, but would universally be recognized as being for the benefit, not only of the tail, but of the dog that wags it.

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# HANDBOOK OF SIMPLIFIED SPELLING

## PART 3

### RULES AND DICTIONARY LIST

#### INTRODUCTION

##### Scope of the Handbook

Part 1 gives a brief account of the origin and history of the movement for a more reasonable spelling of English, and states the principles the Simplified Spelling Board has adopted in its efforts to hasten the progress of this movement.

Part 2 sets forth the leading arguments in favor of the simplification of English spelling, and replies to the objections commonly made by defenders of the current orthography.

Part 3 presents the rules for simplified spelling that the Board recommends for general use at the stage the movement has now reached, a special list of words in simpler spellings not covered by the rules, and a dictionary list of all the words in common use changed in spelling by these recommendations.

##### Plan of Revision and Selection

Experience gained in its active field campaigns had indicated that some of the rules and spellings of the 4 progressive lists previously issued were unlikely to win quick acceptance at this time, and so were likely to retard the acceptance of the others. The Board, accordingly, through the Filology Committee, undertook in 1916 a systematic revision of the rules in the light

of this experience, and the selection of those most suitable for present emphasis.

The Filology Committee, after long-continued and painstaking investigation and deliberation, submitted its report in 1918. Its recommendations were adopted, and are incorporated in the following pages. All of the rules have been reformulated and are now self-indexing. Some of them have been extended; some have been restricted; others have been consolidated; several of the old rules have been omitted, though not discarded; a few new rules have been added.

### Importance of Example

The simplifications of spelling now recommended are so reasonable, and present so few difficulties either in learning or using them, that the Board hopes, and asks, that all who believe in the importance of the reform will make profession of their faith by adopting these simpler spellings in their correspondence and, as far as possible, in print. Reform in spelling can be brought about only by abundant practice, thereby setting an example to others less well informed, most of whom will gladly follow so reasonable a usage as soon as they perceive that it is also good usage.

### Concentration on Present List

The Board does not contemplate issuing any further lists until the rules of this list shall be widely adopted. Progress for some time to come will be marked rather by the successive adoption of the spellings now proposed than by the proposal of additional changes in advance of the capacity of the public to assimilate them. For the present the Board will concentrate its efforts on the attainment of this end.

### Later Steps

The Board believes, however, that when the public shall in time become accustomed to seeing and to using the simplified spellings of this Handbook, and shall perceive their reasonableness, it will be ready to take another step forward by adopting several more radical but no less reasonable simplifications. Such a step might include making a definite choice of *c* or *k* for the sound unambiguously represented by *k*; and the substitution of *s* for *c* pronounced like *s*, of *z* for *s* pronounced like *z*, and of *j* for *g* pronounced like *j*. All these changes are perfectly reasonable, are in accord with phonetic principles, and together they would simplify and regulate the spelling of a very large number of words in frequent use.

### The Long Vowels and the Diphthongs

So far as the consonants are concerned, indeed, the simplification of English spelling presents few difficulties that can not be satisfactorily overcome with the present alphabet. The notations of the long vowels and the diphthongs, on the other hand, present such difficulties that the Board has, in regard to them, thus far confined its recommendations to cases that involve merely dropping silent letters or preference for the prevailing among conflicting and perplexing analogies. Their regulation must wait until scholars can come to more general agreement on the subject, and until laymen are better prepared to accept the judgment of experts. This will only be when the remaining irregularities become so painfully apparent, amid the regularity otherwise prevailing in English spelling, that the demand for their notation on a scientific basis will be irresistible. It will be the last step to a completely simplified English spelling.

### Freedom of Action

In the meantime, while the spellings of the Handbook are in every case those that the Board recommends for use in the present stage of the advance, it is assumed that individuals will feel free to use other forms that they prefer. For example, the Board now recommends the spelling *scool* as at any rate better than *school*. Those, however, who believe that the final choice of the letter invariably to indicate the *k* sound should be *k*, and not *c*, and who wish to set an example for others to follow, will write *skool*.

The first condition of rational progress in spelling reform is that persons who know, or who think they know, how words should be spelled, should recover something of their former freedom to spell in accordance with individual judgment. Only in that way can there be a wholesome rivalry of forms with ultimate survival of the best.

The Board does not expect any one to adopt a spelling that, to him, suggests a pronunciation at variance with his usage.

Those whose temper moves them to act as pioneers, or as skirmishers ahead of the main column, render exceptionally valuable service if they lead in the indicated direction. They will find the Board prepared and eager to enlist them and to equip them, to point out the way, and to fortify its counsel with reasons based on scholarship and practical experience.

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# RULES FOR SIMPLIFIED SPELLING

RECOMMENDED BY THE SIMPLIFIED SPELLING BOARD

## EXPLANATORY NOTES

### Rules Self-indexing

For convenience of reference the rules for simplified spelling have been made self-indexing and are arranged in the alphabetic order of the letters or combinations of letters simplified.

### Inflections and Derivatives

In forming inflections and derivatives of words simplified in the primitive, if the suffix is not simplified, the spelling follows the prevailing practice. In doubtful cases this has been indicated either in the examples or in an appended note.

According to an "orthographic rule" cited in the leading dictionaries, if the suffix begins with a vowel, and the primitive ends in a single consonant, the consonant is doubled only when it is preceded by a single stressed vowel; and even then not always, since **h**, **j**, **v**, **w**, **x**, are not normally doubled in English spelling.

The Simplified Spelling Board accepts this principle, but does not recommend the doubling of the final consonant of the primitive in cases in which the current orthography calls for only one consonant in the inflected or derived form. Thus the Board spells *ad*, added; *ruf*, *ruffer*; *det*, *dettor* (for debt, debtor); but *ded*, *deden* (for dead, deaden); etc.

### Typography of Rules and Examples

Words used as illustrations in the rules and examples are printed in *italics*, if new spellings; in roman, if given as preferred or alternative spellings by one or more of the leading American dictionaries (Century, Standard, Webster's) and

not qualified as "simplified," "new," "obsolete," or the like. Examples of incorrect forms are printed in **light-face**; index words and letters and illustrative letters, in **boldface**; regulative words, in **SMALL CAPITALS**.

## RULES

**æ, œ**, initial or medial. **SPEL e**.

EXAMPLES: *ciclopedia*, *esthetic*, *medieval*, *fenix*, *maneuver*, *subpena*;

BUT: *alumnae*, *striae*, etc.

NOTE. **æ, œ**, are now usually written **ae, oe**. Other cases of **ae, oe**, medial, as in *canoeist*, *Gaelic*, *subpenaed*, etc., are not affected.

**bt** pronounst **t**. DROP silent **b**.

EXAMPLES: *det*, *dettor*, *dout*, *indetted*, *redout*.

NOTE. RETAIN **b**, when pronounst, in *subtil(e)*.

**ceed** final. **SPEL cede**.

EXAMPLES: *excede*, *procede*, *succede*.

**ch** pronounst like **c** in **car**. DROP silent **h**, EXCEPT before **e, i, y**.

EXAMPLES: *character*, *chlorid(e)*, *corus*, *cronic*, *eco*, *epoc*, *mecanic*, *monarc*, *scolar*, *scool*, *stomac*, *technical*;

BUT: *architect*, *chemist*, *monarchy*.

**double consonant** before **e** final silent. DROP last 2 letters.

EXAMPLES: *bagatel*, *bizar*, *cigaret*, *creton*, *crevas*, *gavot*, *gazet*, *giraf*, *gram*, *program*, *quadril*, *quartet*, *vaudevil*.

**double consonant** final. REDUCE double to single; BUT in **-ll** only after a short vowel, and in **-ss** only in monosyllables. RETAIN *gross*, *hiss*, *off*, *puss*.

EXAMPLES: *ad*, *bil*, *bluf*, *buz*, *clas*, *dol*, *dul*, *eg*, *glas*, *les*, *los*, *mes*, *mis*, *pas*, *pres*, *shal*, *tel*, *wil*;

BUT NOT: *al* for *all*, *rol* for *roll*, *needles* for *needless*, etc.

**e** final silent. In the following cases DROP **e**:

- a) After a consonant preceded by a short vowel stressed.

EXAMPLES: *bad* (*bade*), *giv*, *hav*, *liv*, *centiped* (when so pronounced).

- b) In *ar*(e), *gon*(e), and in *wer*(e) when not pronounced to rhyme with there.

- c) In the unstressed final short syllables **ide, ile, ine, ise, ite, ive**, pronounced as if spelled **id, il, in, is, it, iv**.

EXAMPLES: *activ*, *bromid*, *comparativ*, *definit*, *determin*, *engin*, *examin*, *favorit*, *genuin*, *hostil*, *iodin*, *imagin*, *infin**it*, *nativ*, *opposit*, *positiv*, *practis*, *promis*, *textil*.

NOTE. The ordinary use of **e** final after a single consonant is to indicate that the preceding vowel has a pronunciation different from that which it would normally have if the consonant in question were final, as in *bar*, *bare*; *hat*, *hate*; *her*, *here*; *them*, *theme*; *sir*, *sire*; *bid*, *bide*; *con*, *cone*; *run*, *rune*. Hence the **e** final is retained in such words as *arrive*, *care*, *confuse*, *fine*, *mile*, *polite*, *ride*, *rode*, and also in *bromide*, *iodine*, etc., when pronounced with the **i** of *line*, *side*.

- d) After **lv** and **rv**.

EXAMPLES: *involv*, *resolv*, *twelv*, *valv*; *carv*, *curv*, *deserv*, *serv*.

- e) After **v** or **z** when preceded by a digraph representing a long vowel or a diphthong.

EXAMPLES: *achiev*, *believ*, *deciev*, *freez*, *gauz*, *leav*, *reciev*, *sneez*.

- f) In **oe** final pronounced **o**.

EXAMPLES: *fo*, *ho*, *ro*, *to*, *wo*.

NOTE. RETAIN **e** in inflections **-oed**, **-oes**; as *foes*, not *fos*; *hoed*, not *hod*.

**ea** pronounst as in **head** or as in **heart**. DROP the silent letter.

EXAMPLES: *bred, brekfast, hed, helth, hevy, insted, lether, plesure, welth, wether; hart, harty, harth.*

**ed** final pronounst **d**. When the change wil not suggest a wrong pronounciation, DROP silent **e**, REDUCING a preceding double to a single consonant.

EXAMPLES: *anserd, cald, carrid, delayd, doubld, employd, examind, fild, followd, marrid, pleasd, preferd, recievd, robd, signd, troubl'd, sneezd, struggld, traveld, worrid, wrongd;*

BUT NOT: *bribd* for *bribed*, *cand* for *caned*, *changd* for *changed*, *fild* for *filed*, *pricd* for *priced*, *usd* for *used*, etc.

NOTE. The **e** is retaind only in cases where it has by convention a diacritic use, to indicate a preceding long vowel, or in the case of consonants, **e** sibilant or **g** pronounst **j**.

**ed** final pronounst **t**. When the change wil not suggest a wrong pronounciation, SPEL **t**, REDUCING a preceding double to a single consonant, and CHANGING **ced**, **seed**, final, to **st**.

EXAMPLES: *askt, fixt, helpt, indorst, wisht; addrest, kist, past, shipt, stopt, stuft; advanst, announst, commenst, invoist, notist; acquiest, effervest;*

BUT NOT: *bakt* for *baked*, *deduct* or *dedust* for *deduced*, *fact* or *fast* for *faced*, *hopt* for *hoped*, etc.

NOTE. The **e** is retaind only in cases where it has by convention a diacritic use, to indicate a preceding long vowel, or in the case of consonants, **e** sibilant or **g** pronounst **j**.

**ei** pronounst like **ie** in **brief**. SPEL **ie**.

EXAMPLES: *conciet, deciev, inviegle, iether, reciev, wierd.*

**ey** final unstrest pronounst like short **y** final. DROP silent **e**.

EXAMPLES: *barly, chimny, donky, journy, mony, pully, trolly, vally, whisky.*



**gh** pronounst **f**. SPEL **f**; DROP the silent letter of the preceding digraf.

EXAMPLES: *cof*, *draft*, *enuf*, *laf*, *ruf*, *tuf*.

**gh** pronounst like **g** in **gas**. DROP silent **h**.

EXAMPLES: *agast*, *gastly*, *gerkin*, *gost*, *goul*.

**gm** final. DROP silent **g**.

EXAMPLES: *apothem*, *diafram*, *flem*, *paradim*.

**gue** final after a consonant, a short vowel, or a digraf representing a long vowel or a difthong. DROP silent **ue**; tongue SPEL *tung*.

EXAMPLES: *catalog*, *dialog*, *harang*, *leag*, *sinagog*;

BUT NOT: *rog* for *rogue*, *vag* for *vague*, etc.

**ise** final pronounst as if speld **ize**. SPEL **ize**.

EXAMPLES: *advertize*, *advize*, *apologize*, *enterprize*, *franchise*, *itemize*, *merchandize*, *rize*, *surmize*, *surprize*, *wize*.

**mb** final after a short vowel. DROP silent **b**.

EXAMPLES: *bom*, *crum*, *dum*, *lam*, *lim*, *thum*;

BUT NOT: *com* for *comb*, *tom* for *tomb*, etc.

**ou** before **l**, pronounst like **o** in **bold**. DROP silent **u**, EXCEPT in *soul*.

EXAMPLES: *bolder*, *colter*, *mold*, *molt*, *sholder*.

**ough** final. SPEL **o**, **u**, **ock**, or **up**, when pronounst as if so speld; SPEL *plow*.

EXAMPLES: *altho*, *-boro*, *boro*, *do*, *donut*, *furlo*, *tho*, *thoro*; *thru*; *hock*; *hiccup*.

**our** final, with **ou** pronounst as a short (obscure) vowel. DROP **u**.

EXAMPLES: *color*, *favor*, *honor*, *labor*, *Savior*.

**ph** pronounst **f**. SPEL **f**.

EXAMPLES: *alfabet*, *emfasis*, *fantasy*, *fantom*, *fonograf*, *fotograf*, *sulfur*, *telefone*, *telegraf*.

**re** final after any consonant except **c**. SPEL **er**.

EXAMPLES: center, fiber, meter, theater;

BUT NOT: lucer for lucre, mediocer for mediocre, etc.

**rh** initial. DROP silent **h**.

EXAMPLES: *retoric, reumatism, rime, rom* (rhomb), *ru-barb, rithm*.

**sc** initial pronounst as if speld **s**. DROP silent **c**.

EXAMPLES: *senery, sented, septer, sience, simitar, sissors*;

BUT: scatter, scooner, sconce, etc.

**u** silent before a vowel medial. DROP **u**.

EXAMPLES: *bild, condit, guarantee, gard, ges, gide, gild*.

**y** between consonants. SPEL **i**.

EXAMPLES: *analysis, fisic, gipsy, paralyze, rime, silvan, sithe, tipe*.

## SPECIAL LIST

Words in recommended spellings not governd by the preceding rules:

aker	frend	slight (sleight)
anser	grotesk	sorgum
beleager	hemorage	sovren
burlesk	hemoroid	spritely
buro	iland	tisic
campain	ile	tisis
catar	ilet	tuch
cask (casque)	mark (marque)	yoman
counterfit	maskerade	yu
delite	morgage	yung
diarea	picturesk	yungster
foren	reciet	yunker
forfit	siv	

# DICTIONARY LIST

## SIMPLIFIED SPELLINGS OF WORDS IN COMMON USE

### EXPLANATORY NOTES

#### Scope

The choice of words in the following list has been based on selections made by different lexicographers for inclusion in various popular school and desk dictionaries containing from 60,000 to 80,000 words. The object has been to supply a list that will meet the ordinary needs both of the general public and of students and professional men and women.

#### Typography

Words are arranged alphabetically according to their simplified spellings. Words printed in **boldface** follow the spellings of the Rules and Special List. Words printed in roman are simpler or alternative spellings in good usage.

A dash before a word indicates that it is an inflected form of a verb that is not simplified in the primitive.

In most cases only the primitive (or, if the primitive is not simplified, one simplified derivative) is printed in full. Inflected and other derived forms are indicated merely by their terminations. Thus, *accouter*, **-d**, **-ment** stands for *accouter*, **accouterd**, *accouterment*. When the terminations are not direct additions to the printed word, a half parenthesis is inserted after the letter that they follow. Thus, **-abridg(d, -ment** stands for **abridgd**, *abridgment*.

When a word has two pronunciations in good usage, the alternative spelling, to accord with the corresponding pronunciation, is indicated in parentheses, thus: **aquil(in** (or **-ine**). Here **-ine** is in roman because *aquiline* is the conventional spelling, to be retained if the indicated pronunciation is preferred.

When the Rules so change the appearance of a word as to render its meaning or pronunciation doubtful, the nature of the simplification is indicated in *italics*, thus: **bel** (*l=lle*). A superior numeral indicates which one of two or more identical letters in a word is affected. Thus, **acronic** (*i=y; c<sup>2</sup>=ch*) shows that the conventional spelling is acronych. If the simplified spelling does not follow the Rules, as in the case of words in the Special List and of some alternativ spellings, the other form is given in roman inclosed in parentheses, thus: **aker** (*acre*); bang (*bhang*).

Verbal inflections (**-ed, -ing**), when given, ar first in order after the word, and ar set off by a semicolon from the other derived forms. These, in turn, ar set off by a semicolon from the compound derivativs, if given.

### Omitted Forms

To economize space, the following forms, tho given in special cases, hav commonly been omitted:

**-ed, -ing; -able, -er, -ical, -less, -ly, -ment, -ness;** terminations indicating inflections and derivativs regularly formd from words simplified in the primitiv (see page 5).

**-ization, -izer, -izement;** terminations indicating substantivs regularly formd from verbs in **-ize**.

**be-, dis-, em-, en-, in-, inter-, mis-, pre-, re-, un-;** derivativs beginning with these prefixes. Thus, for **becalmd**, see **calmd**, etc.

**fore-, out-, over-, under-, up-;** compound derivativs of which any of these words is the first element. The second element wil be found in its alfabetic place.

**compound words;** whether simplified in the first or the second element. Thus for **gristmil**, see **mil**; for **cros-examin**, see **cros** and **examin**.

# LIST

—abandond	—addld	agglomerativ
—abasht	—address	agglutinativ
abatis	adductiv	aggrandiz(e, -ment (or
abb(y, -les	adhesiv	-ement
—abhorđ	adinam(la, -lc, -y ( $i^1 = y$ ))	aggregativ
ablism, -al	aditum ( $i = y$ )	—aggres(t, -siv
abliss, -al, -lc	adjectiv	aggriev, -d
ablativ	—adjoind	—aggroupt
—abollshđ	—adjournd	agil, -ly
abqrtiv	—adjudg(d, -ment	agon ( $n = ne$ )
abrasiv	adjunctiv	agonize
abrest ( $e = ea$ )	adjustiv	agraf ( $f = ff$ )
—abridg(d, -ment	admesur(e, -ed, -ing	ahed ( $e = ea$ )
abrogativ	—administerd	ahul
absinth	administrativ	aigret
absolv, -d	admissiv	—allđ
—absorbd	—admixt	—almd
absorptiv	—admonisht	—alrd
—abstainđ	admonitiv	ak(e, -ed, -ing; -er (ache)
abstersiv	adoptiv	aker (acre)
abstractiv	—adornd	—alarmđ
abusiv	—adsorbd	albatros
acalef, -an, -old	adulterin	alecoholize
acanthin	adumbrativ	aldehıde
accelerativ	—advanst ( $st = ced$ )	alexifarmie
—acclaiđmđ	adventiv	alfa
acclimatize	adversativ	alfabet, -lc, -lze
accommodativ	advertiz(e, -ment (or	allmentativ
—accomplisht	-ement)	allmentiv
accouter, -d; -ment	adviz(e, -ory	aline, -d; -ment
accretiv	adz	allssum
accumulativ	aero(curv, -fite, -grafy,	alizarin
—accurst	-hidroplane, -me-	alkal(i, -ln (or -ine), -inity,
accusativ	canics, etc.	ize, -oid
—accustomđ	aery	alkoran
acefalous	afas(la, -lc ( $f = ph$ ))	—allayđ
acetilene	afebril	allegorize
achiev, -d; -ment	afellon	alleluia
—acknowledg(d, -ment	afem(la, -lc	alleviativ
acockbil	afere(sis, -tic	alliterativ
acollite	affectiv	—allowđ
acotiledon	—afflanst ( $st = ced$ )	—alloyd
acoufone	—affirm(d, -ativ	allusiv
—acquest	—affixt	all(y, -les ( $y = ey$ ))
acquisitiv	afflictiv	alo, -es ( $o = oe$ )
acromat(lc, -isin, -lze	affrontiv	alodi(um, -al
acronic ( $i = y$ ; $c^2 = ch$ )	aill(ous ( $f = ph$ ; $i = y$ ))	alp(ln (or -ine)
activ	aill(s, -d, -des	alredy
actualize	aforis(m, -t, -tic	alterativ
ad ( $d = dd$ )	aforize	—alterđ
adamantin	afrit	alternativ
adaptiv	aftha	altho
additiv	agast ( $g = gh$ )	alumin

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- alv**(*ln* (*or -ine*)  
**amalgamativ**  
**amaranthin**  
**amarillis**  
**—amast** (*t = sed*)  
**amativ**  
**—ambl**  
**ambulatv**  
**—ambusht**  
**ameb**(*a*, *-oid*)  
**amellorativ**  
**americanize**  
**—amerst** (*st = ccd*)  
**amethist**, *-in*  
**amfibl**(*a*, *-an*, *-ous*  
**amfibol**(*e*, *-ic*, *-ogy*,  
*-ous*, *-y*  
**amfibrac**  
**amficarp**(*ous*, *-ic*  
**amfictyon**, *-ic*, *-y*  
**amfigean**  
**amfipod**, *-a*, *-al*, *-an*, *-e*,  
*-lform*, *-ous*  
**amfisbena**  
**amfitheat**(*er*, *-ric*  
**amfor**(*a*, *-al*, *-ic*  
**amigdal**(*a*, *-accous*,  
*-ate*, *-in*, *-oid* (*i = y*)  
**amll**, *-accous*, *-ene*, *-ic*,  
*-oid* (*i = y*)  
**amorff**(*ic*, *-ism*, *-ous*  
**amortiz**(*e*, *-ment* (*or*  
*-ement*)  
**amouret**  
**amphi-** (*see amfl-*)  
**ampllatv**  
**amplificativ**  
**amulet**  
**amusiv**  
**anacorsism** (*c = ch*)  
**anacron**(*ism*, *-ic*, *-istic*  
**anagllf**, *-ic* (*i = y*; *f = ph*)  
**—anagram**(*d*, *-ing*;  
*-atic*, *-atism*, *-atist*,  
*-atize*  
**anal**(*isls*, *-lst*, *-ltic*, *-ize*  
**analog**, *-ize*  
**anapest**, *-ic*  
**anarc**  
**anastrof**(*e*, *-y*  
**anathematize**  
**anatomize**  
**ancor**, *-d*; **—age** (*c = ch*)  
**ancor**(*et* (*or -llic*), *-ess*  
**andro**(*cefalous*, *-fagus*,  
*-morfus*, *-sflnx*
- androgln**(*ous*, *-al*, *-ic*  
**anem**(*ia*, *-ic*  
**anemo**(*graf*, *-filous*  
**anesthesia**  
**anesthet**(*ic*, *-ist*, *-ize*  
**aneurism**, *-al*  
**—angerd**  
**anglografy**  
**—angld**  
**anglicize**  
**anglofob**(*e*, *-la*, *-ic*  
**—anguisht**  
**anhidr**(*ld* (*or -lde*), *-ous*  
**anl**(*body*, *-how*, *-thing*,  
*-way*, *-where*, *-wize*  
**anil**(*ln* (*or -inc*)  
**animativ**  
**anis**  
**anisoillous** (*f = ph*; *i<sup>2</sup> = y*)  
**ankilo**(*sis*, *-tic*  
**—ankld**  
**—anneald**  
**—annex**(*t*, *-lv*  
**annihilativ**  
**annotativ**  
**—announst** (*st = ccd*)  
**—annoyd**  
**—annuld**  
**annulet**  
**annunciativ**  
**anodine**  
**anonlm**, *-ous*, *-lty*  
**anser**, *-d*, *-ing*  
**anserin**  
**antagonize**  
**antelope**  
**anthoforous**  
**anthropofag**(*y*, *-i*, *-lst*,  
*-ous*  
**anthropomorf**(*ism*, *-ic*,  
*-lst*, *-lte*, *-lze*, *-ous*  
**anticlelon**(*e*, *-ic*  
**antilepativ**  
**—antict**  
**antifebril**  
**antiflogistic**  
**antifon**, *-al*, *-ic*, *-y*  
**antifrasis**  
**antipir**(*ln*, *-etic*  
**antistroke**  
**antitip**(*e*, *-al*  
**antitoxin**  
**antizimle**  
**—antlerd**  
**antonim**  
**aperitiv**
- aplom** (*m = mb*)  
**apocalip**(*se*, *-tic*  
**apocrifsa**, *-l*  
**apodietic**, *-al*  
**apofasis**  
**apofisis**  
**apolog**  
**apologize**  
**apostatize**  
**apostrof**(*e*, *-ic*, *-ize*  
**apothem**  
**apotheosize**  
**appal**, *-d*  
**—apparel**(*d*, *-ing*  
**—appeald**  
**—appeared**  
**appeasiv**  
**appellativ**  
**—appendixt**  
**apperceptiv**  
**—appertalnd**  
**appetitv**  
**appetize**  
**applausiv**  
**applicativ**  
**appointiv**  
**—apportiond**  
**apposit**, *-lv*  
**—appralsd**  
**appreciativ**  
**apprehensiv**  
**—apprentist** (*st = ccd*)  
**—apprest**  
**apprize**  
**—approacht**  
**approbativ**  
**appropriativ**  
**approximativ**  
**appulsiv**  
**—apronnd**  
**apterlx** (*i = y*)  
**aptronim**, *-ic*  
**aquarel**  
**aquil**(*ln* (*or -ine*)  
**ar**  
**arabesk**  
**araenid**, *-a*, *-an*, *-oid*  
**arbor**, *-d*  
**area**(*ic*, *-ism*  
**arcangel**, *-ic*  
**archeolog**(*y*, *-ic*, *-ist*  
**archetip**(*e*, *-al*, *-ic*  
**—archt**  
**arcograf**  
**ardor**  
**argent**(*ln* (*or -inc*)

argumentativ  
arian  
ariz(e, -en, -ing  
—armd  
armor, -d; -ial, -y  
—arousd  
—arraignd  
—arrayd  
arsen(id (or -ide)  
arteriografy  
arthrografy  
—artield  
artizan  
as (s = ss)  
asafetida  
asbestin  
ascenden(cy, -t  
—ascertaind  
asfalt, -ic  
asfixia, -l, -te, -tion  
asfodel  
ashler, -ing  
asylum (i = y)  
asimmetr(y, -ic  
asimptot(e, -ic  
asineron(ism, -ous  
asindeton  
asin(in (or -ine)  
—askt  
—aspers(t, -iv  
—assalld  
—assayd  
—assembld  
assertiv  
—assett  
—assignd  
assimilativ  
assiz(e, -es  
associativ  
—assoild  
assuasiv  
assumptiv  
—asteriskt  
—astonisht  
astrofisc(s, -al, -ist  
astronomize  
atheneum  
atmosfer(e, -ic  
atol  
atomize  
atrof(y, -ld; -ic, -ous  
atrop(in (or -ine)  
—attacht  
—attackt  
—attaind  
—attemperd

attentiv  
attitudinize  
attorn(y, -iship  
attractiv  
attributiv  
—auctiond  
audifone  
auditiv  
augmentativ  
—augurd  
—aurield  
aurocs  
ausculativ  
authoritativ  
authorize  
autobiograf(y, -er, -ic  
autociele  
autoethon, -al, -ic, -ous  
autograf, -t; -ic, -y  
autolipno(sis, -tic  
autosuggestiv  
autotip(e, -ic  
—availd  
aventurin  
—averd  
avoset  
—avoucht  
—avowd  
avulsiv  
aw, -d; -some  
—awakend  
awether (e<sup>l</sup> = ea)  
—awnd  
ax, -t; -man  
—axld  
ay  
azigious  
azlm, -ic, -ous

B

babl(dom, -hood (i = y)  
—babld  
babu  
baecan(al, -alia, -alian,  
—t, -te  
—backt  
bacterin  
bad (bade)  
—badgd  
—badgerd  
—baffld  
bagas  
bagatel  
—bagd  
—baild  
bailff  
baily  
baiz  
—balanst (st = ced)  
—bald (d = led)  
baldhed, -ed  
balk, -t; -y  
—balloond  
—balmd  
—balusterd  
—bamboozld  
—band (d = ned)  
bandana  
—bandid (d = cd)  
bandolier  
bandol(in (or inc)  
bang (bhang)  
—bangd  
—bangld  
banian  
—banisht  
banister, -d  
—bankt  
—bannerd  
banneret  
banquet (t = tte)  
bans (n = nn)  
—banterd  
Baptize  
barbarize  
—barbd  
barbet  
—bard (d = red)  
—bare(backt, -heded  
—bargaind  
barita (i = y)  
barlt(e, -ic, -es  
baritone  
bark (barque)  
barkantine  
—barkend  
—barkt  
barl(y, -icorn  
—barnacid  
—barnd  
barograf -ic  
—barrel(d, -ing  
—barrierd  
—barterd  
bartizan  
bas (fish, tree), -wood  
base (bass)  
—basht  
—basifixt  
—basind  
—baskt

- bastardize  
 bastile  
 —**bastiond**  
**bathimeter** (*i = y*)  
 —**battend**  
 —**battered**  
 —**battld**  
 —**bawld**  
 —**bayd**  
 —bayonet(ed, -ing)  
 bazar  
**be-** (*see note "omitted forms."*)  
 —**beacht**  
 —**beacond**  
 —**beakt**  
 —**beamd**  
 —**beaud**  
 —**beckond**  
 —**beekt**  
 —**bedizend**  
**bed**(spred, -sted)  
 —**beetld**  
 —**begd**  
 —**beggard**  
**begll**(e, -ed, -ing)  
**begon** (*n = ne*)  
 behavior  
**behed**, -ed, -ing  
 —**behoovd**  
**bel**, -d; -man, *etc.*  
**bel** (*l = lle*)  
 belabor, -d  
 —**belayd**  
 —**beleht**  
**beldam**  
**beleager**, -d  
**bellev**, -d  
 —**bellttid**  
 —**bellld**(d, -ful; -band, -pinch, *etc.*)  
 —**bellowd**  
 —**belongd**  
 —**bencht**  
**benedictiv**  
 —**benefist** (*st = ccd*)  
 —benefit(ed, -ing)  
 benz(in (or -ine)  
 benzol, -in  
 —**bequeathd**  
**bereav**, -d  
**berll**, -ln (*i = y*)  
**berillium** (*i<sup>l</sup> = y*)  
 —**berrid**  
 —**bertht**  
**bested**, -ed, -ing (*e<sup>2</sup> = ea*)
- bestowd**  
 —**betrayd**  
 —**etroth**(t (or -d)  
 —**betterd**  
 —**bevel**(d, -ing)  
 —**bewaild**  
 —**bewilderd**  
 —**bewitcht**  
 —**bias**(t, -ing)  
 —**bibd**  
**bibliofile**  
**bibliograf**(y, -er, -ie)  
**blecfalous**  
**bicicl**(e, -d; -lst  
 —**blickerd**  
**biclor**(ld (or -ide)  
**bicolor**, -d  
**bidactll**  
**bigon** (*i = y; n = ne*)  
 bijoutry  
**bil**, -d; -hed, -hook, *etc.*  
**bil**(d, -t (or -ded), -ding  
 —**bilkt**  
**billcock**  
 —**billowd**  
**bimetal**(ism, -ist  
**biodynacies**  
**blograf**  
**biograf**(y, -er, -ie)  
**biptitll**  
 —**birecht**  
 —**bishop**(t, -ing)  
 bisk (bisque)  
**bissextil**  
**bistander** (*i = y*)  
 bister, -d  
 bisulf(id, -ite, -uret  
 bituminize  
**bivalv**, -d  
 —**bivouact**  
**biword** (*i = y*)  
**bizantin** (or -ine)  
**bizar** (*r = rre*)  
 —**blabd**  
 —**blackend**  
 —**black**(t, -bald, -gard, -led, -maild, *etc.*)  
 —**blancht**  
 —**blandisht**  
 —**blankt**  
**blarn**(y, -ld; -ies  
**blasfem**(e, -ed; -ous, -y  
 —**blatherd**  
 —**blazond**  
 —**bleacht**  
 —**bleard**
- blemisht**  
 —**blench**  
**bles**, -t  
 —**bletherd**  
 —**blinkt**  
**blis**, -ful  
 —**blisterd**  
 blithe  
 —**block**(t, -hed)  
 —**bloomd**  
 —**blossomd**  
 —**blotcht**  
**blowz**, -d; -y  
 —**blubberd**  
**bluf**, -t  
 —**blunder**(d, -hed)  
 —**blurd**  
 —**blusht**  
 —**blusterd**  
 —**bob**(d, -taild  
 —**bodi**(d, -gard  
 —**bogd**  
 —**boggld**  
**bog**(y, -les, -ylsm  
 —**bolld**  
 —**bold** (*d = led*)  
**holder** (*o = ou*)  
 —**bolsterd**  
**bom**, -d, -ming; -shel, -proof, *etc.*  
 bombazine  
**bombi**(x, -e, -cid, -cold  
**bonniclabber**  
 —**bood**  
 —**boohood**  
 —**bookt**  
 —**boomd**  
**booz**, -d; -y  
 —**borderd**  
**bor**(id (or -ide)  
**born** (borne)  
 -boro  
**boro**  
 —**borrowd**  
**bos**, -t  
 —**bosomd**  
**bot**, -fly (*t = tt*)  
 —**botcht**  
 —**botherd**  
 —**bottld**  
 —**bottomd**  
 —**bounst** (*st = ccd*)  
**bour**n (bourne)  
 —**bousd**  
**bov**(ln (or -inc)  
 —**bowd**



—bowerd  
—bowld  
bowl(in (or -ine)  
—box(t, -hauld  
boycot, -ed, -ing  
brachicefal(le, -ous  
brachigrafy  
—bragd  
brail (l = lle)  
—braild (d = ed)  
—braind  
bralz, -d  
—brancht  
—brandid  
—brandisht  
bras, -t  
—brattld  
—brawld  
—brayd  
brazen, -d; -ness  
brazier  
—breacht  
—breamd  
—breathd  
bred, -ed, -ing; -fruit,  
—stuf, etc.  
bredth, -wize, -ways  
—breecht  
breez, -d  
brekfast  
brest, -pin, -plate, etc.  
breth, -t  
—brewd  
—brickt  
bridewel  
—bridgd  
—brieft  
brigand(in (or -ine)  
brigrant(in (or -ine)  
—brightend  
—brim(d, -ful  
—brindld  
briquet  
—briskt  
—brlstld  
—broacht  
—broadend  
broadwize  
brocatel  
—broiderd  
—brolld  
bromatografy  
brom(id (or -ide)  
brom(in (or -ine)  
bronce  
bronco(cele, -tomy

broneus  
—bronzd  
—brookt  
—brotherd  
brouet  
—browd  
—brownd  
brownny  
browz, -d  
—bruisd  
brunet  
—brusht  
brusk  
bryofite  
—bubld  
bucanier  
—buckld  
—bucklerd  
—buckt  
—budgd  
buf, -t  
—buffoond  
bul, -d; ≠neckt, etc.  
—bulbd  
buldoz(e, -ed  
bulhed, -ed  
—bulkt  
—bullid  
—bulwarkt  
—bumd  
—bumpt  
bun  
—buncht  
—bundld  
—bungd  
—bungld  
bunion  
—bunkerd  
—bunkt  
bunkum  
—buoyd  
bur, -d  
—burderd  
buret  
burgeon, -d  
—burid  
—burkt  
—burlapt  
—burld  
burlesk  
—burn(d (or -t)  
—burnisht  
buro (bureau)  
burocra(cy, -t, -tic  
—burrowd  
burse (bourse)

bus, -t  
—bushel(d, -ing; -er  
—busht  
—buskind (d = ed)  
—buskt  
—bustld  
—busi(d, -body  
but (t = tt)  
—butcherd  
butir(in, -aceous, -ic,  
—ous  
—butterd  
butterin  
—buttond  
—buttrest  
buz, -d  
by (bye)  
by- (see bi-)

C

—cabald (d = lcd)  
—cabind  
—cabld  
—cackld  
cacodemon  
cacofon(y, -ic, -ous  
cacograf(y, -er, -ic  
caddy  
—cadenst (st = ced)  
—cadgd  
cafein  
caitif  
—cajold (d = ed)  
calamin  
calcedon(y, -ix  
calcid (c<sup>1</sup> = ch)  
cale(in (or -inc), -d  
(or -cd)  
calcograf, -ist, -y  
calculativ  
—cald (d = lcd)  
calefactiv  
—calenderd  
calibeate  
caliber  
calic(le, -ular, -ulate  
calif, -ate, -ship  
caligraf, -ic, -ist, -y  
calipash  
caliper  
caliptra  
calisthenic, -s  
calix, -es  
calk, -t  
—calloust

- calmd  
 calv, -d; -s  
 —camberd  
 cameleon  
 camfene  
 camfor, -ate, -ic  
 camomile  
 campaign, -d  
 —camp  
 —canal(d, -ing, -ize  
 cancelat(e, -ion  
 —cancel(d, -ing; -ation  
 —cand (*d = ned*)  
 —candld (*d<sup>2</sup> = cd*)  
 candituff  
 candor  
 —cankerd  
 —cannond  
 canonize  
 —canopld  
 cantaloup  
 —canterd  
 —cantond  
 canvas, -t, -ing; -er, -es  
 ca(os, -otic (*c = ch*)  
 —caparisond  
 —caperd  
 capitalize  
 —capt  
 —captaland  
 captiv  
 carae  
 —caraeold (*d = cd*)  
 character, -d; -istic, -ize, -y  
 —carameld  
 carb(id (*or -ide*)  
 carb(in (*or -ine*)  
 carbohydrate  
 carbonize  
 —carburet(ed, -ing; -er  
 carburize  
 cardiograf, -ic, -y  
 —carend  
 —careerd  
 —carest (*t = scd*)  
 cardology  
 earm(in (*or -ine*)  
 carminativ  
 —carol(d, -ing; -er  
 —caromd  
 —carousd  
 —carpenterd  
 —carpt  
 —carrid  
 cartograf(y, -er  
 —cartoond  
 cartouch  
 cartulary  
 carv, -d  
 cascade  
 —cashierd  
 —casht  
 casino  
 cask (casque)  
 casm (*c = ch*)  
 —cassockt  
 easter  
 —castld  
 cataclism, -al, -ic, -ist  
 catacre(sis, -tic  
 catafonic, -s  
 catafract  
 catali(sis, -tic  
 catalog, -d, -ing; -er  
 catar, -al  
 catastrof(e, -ic  
 catechize  
 catecumen, -al  
 —catercornerd  
 —caterd  
 —caterwauld  
 cathed, -ed, -ing  
 cathodograf  
 catholicize  
 —caucus(t, -ing  
 caulin  
 —caus(d, -ativ  
 cauterize  
 —cautlond  
 —cavernd  
 —cavil(d, -ing; -er  
 —cavillerd  
 —cawd  
 —ceast  
 cee(um, -al  
 cedrin  
 cefalie  
 cefalopod, -a, -an, -e, -ic, -ous  
 —ceild  
 cel, -d  
 ecliae  
 celenter(a, -ata, -ate, -e  
 cenobit(e, -ic  
 cenotaf, -ic  
 cenozoic  
 —censord  
 —censt  
 center, -d; -board, etc.  
 centi(gram, -liter, -meter  
 centi(ped (*or -pede*)  
 centralize  
 —centupld  
 cerealin  
 cerograf, -ic, -ist, -y  
 cervin  
 cesium  
 cespito(se, -us  
 cesura, -l  
 ch- (*pronounst k, see c-*)  
 chaf, -t  
 —chafferd  
 —chagrind  
 —chaind  
 —chaird  
 —challst (*st = ced*)  
 —chalkt  
 —chamberd  
 —chamferd  
 —championd  
 —champt  
 —chanceld  
 chancellor, -ship  
 —channel(d, -ing  
 —chanst (*st = ced*)  
 chant  
 chanty  
 —chapt  
 —chapterd  
 char (*r = rr*)  
 —chard (*d = red*)  
 —charm  
 —charmd  
 —charterd  
 —chastend  
 chastiz(e, -ment  
 —chatterd  
 —cheapend  
 check, -t (cheque)  
 checker, -d; -s (chequer)  
 —cheekt  
 —cheekt  
 —cheept  
 —cheerd  
 chemiset  
 —cherisht  
 ches, -man, etc.  
 chetah  
 —chevid  
 —chevrond  
 —chewd  
 chicot  
 chill, -blain  
 chill(e, -ous (*i = y*)  
 chillare  
 chillfacti(on, -v  
 chillf(y, -ication  
 chim(e, -ous (*i = y*)

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chimer(a, -ic  
chimis(y, -ication  
chimn(y, -id; -ies;  
—ipót, etc.  
—chind (*d = ned*)  
—chinkt  
—chipt  
—chirkt  
chirograf, -ie, -ist, -y  
—chirpt  
—chirrup(t, -ing; -y  
—chisel(d, -ing  
—chockt  
chop(in (*or -inc*)  
—chopt  
—chortld  
—choust  
—chuck(d, -ched  
—chuckt  
chuf (*uf = ough*)  
—chumd  
chur, -d  
—churcht  
—churnd  
ciad, -ean, -accous  
ciatrize  
cielamen  
ciel(e, -d; -ic, -ist  
cieloid, -al  
cielomet(er, -rie, -ry  
cielon(e, -ie, -oscope  
cieloped(ia, -ie, -ist  
cieloram(a, -ie  
cifer, -d  
cigaret  
cigne(t, -ous  
cilind(er, -rie, -roid  
cimbál  
cim(e, -oid, -ous  
—cineht  
clric, -al, -ism  
cincon(a, -ie, -ism  
cinematograf  
cinasure  
cipress  
ciprinoid  
cipripidium  
—cireld  
circularize  
circulativ  
circumciz(e, -ion  
—circumflex  
circumgirat(e, -ion,  
—ory  
circumscriptiv  
—circumstanst (*st = ced*)

circumvolv, -d  
clsalpin  
cist, -ie, -otomy, -ous  
citolog(y, -ie, -ist  
citoplasm, -ie  
citrin  
civilize  
—clabberd  
—clackt  
—claimd  
—clamberd  
—clamd  
clamis (*c = ch; i = y*)  
clamor, -ous  
—clampt  
clandestin  
—clangd  
clangor, -ous  
—clankt  
—clapt  
clas, -t; -mate  
—clasht  
—claspt  
—clatterd  
clavieord  
—clawd  
—cleand  
—clear(d, -starcht  
cleav, -d  
—clencht  
clenly  
clens(e, -d; -er  
clepsidra  
clergiman  
—clerk  
—clickt  
clif  
—climbd  
—cllncht  
clinic  
—clinkt  
clipe(ate, -iform  
—clipt  
clister (*i = y*)  
—cloakt  
—clock(t, -wlze  
—clogd  
—cloisterd  
cloral, -ate, -ie, -id  
(*or -ide*), -idic, -in  
(*or -ine*), -ite, -ous  
clorofil  
cloroform, -d  
—clownd  
—cloyd  
—clubd

—cluckt  
eluc  
cluf (*uf = ough*)  
—clumpt  
—clusterd  
—clutcht  
—clutterd  
—coacht  
coactiv  
coagulativ  
—coald  
—coalest (*t = ced*)  
—coarsend  
coastwize  
—coast  
—cobblid  
cocain  
coeci(x, -geal  
—cockerd  
—cockid  
cockn(y, -ies; -idom,  
—yism  
—cockt  
coclea, -n, -r, -ry, -te  
coco, -nut, -palm  
cocti(l, -v  
—coddld  
—coer(st, -civ  
coeval  
coextensiv  
cof, -t, -fing; -fer  
—coffind  
—cogd  
coglitativ  
cognitiv  
cogniz(e, -ance, -ant, -or  
cohesiv  
—coift  
coign  
—coild  
—coind  
colagog  
colander  
color, -ie (*c = ch*)  
color(a, -aic, -in (*or -ine*)  
colic  
—collapst  
—collard  
colleag, -d  
collectiv  
collirium  
collog, -d  
collusiv  
coll(y, -ies  
colocinth  
colofon, -ie, -y

- colonize  
color, **-d**; -ation, -ist  
colporter  
colter  
—**columnd**  
**combativ**  
—**combd**  
**comediē**  
**comfry**  
**comitativ**  
—**commandeerd**  
**commemoratīv**  
—**commenst** (*st = ced*)  
commercialize  
—**ommerst** (*st = ced*)  
**commesure**  
—**commingld**  
**commiserativ**  
—**commissiōnd**  
—**commixt**  
**commonwelth**  
**communicativ**  
**commutativ**  
—**companiōnd**  
**comparativ**  
—**compast**  
—**compeld**  
**compensativ**  
**competitiv**  
—**complaiḡd**  
**completiv**  
—**complexiōnd**  
**complicativ**  
complin, -s  
**composit, -iv**  
**comprehensiv**  
—**compres(t, -siv**  
compriz(e, -al  
**compromise**  
**compulsiv**  
**conc, -a, -oid, -ology**  
—**conceald**  
concenter, -d  
**concentrativ**  
**conceptiv**  
—**concernḡd**  
**concessiv**  
**conciēt, -ed**  
**conclēv, -d, -ing**  
**conciliativ**  
**conclusiv**  
**concoctiv**  
**concretiv**  
—**concurd**  
—**concus(t, -siv**  
—**cond** (*d = ned*)
- condemnd**  
—**condens(t, -ativ**  
**condile** (*i = y*)  
**condit** (*i = ui*)  
—**conditiond**  
—**condold** (*d = ea*)  
**conḡr(oid, -cstean**  
**conduciv**  
**conductiv**  
**confederativ**  
—**conferd**  
—**confest**  
—**confirm(d, -ativ**  
**conflictiv**  
—**conformd**  
—**congeald**  
**congestiv**  
**conglutinativ**  
**congressiv**  
—**conjoind**  
**conjunctiv**  
**connectiv**  
**connotativ**  
—**conquerd**  
**consecutiv**  
**conserv, -d; -ativ**  
—**considerd**  
—**consignd**  
—**consold** (*d = cd*)  
**constitutiv**  
—**constraiḡnd**  
**constrictiv**  
**constructiv**  
**consumptiv**  
—**contaiḡnd**  
**contaminativ**  
—**contemnd**  
**contemplativ**  
**continuativ**  
**contortiv**  
—**contourḡd**  
**contract(īl, -iv**  
**contra(ictiv, -distinctiv, -distinguisht**  
**contrariwize**  
**contributiv**  
**controlab(īle, -ility**  
—**control(d, -ing; -er**  
**controler** (comptroller)  
**contusiv**  
—**convalest** (*t = ced*)  
**convectiv**  
conventionalize  
**conversiv**  
—**converst**
- convext**  
—**conveyd**  
—**convinst** (*st = ced*)  
**convol(v, -vd; -utiv**  
—**convoyd**  
—**convuls(t, -iv**  
**con(y, -ies**  
—**cood** (*d = ed*)  
—**cookt**  
cook(y, -ies  
—**coold**  
cool(y, -ies  
**cooperativ**  
—**cooperd**  
—**coopt**  
**coordinativ**  
—**copl(d, -graf, -right**  
—**copper(d, -hed**  
—**copt**  
**copulativ**  
coquet  
—**coral(d, -in**  
—**corbeld**  
**cord** (*c = ch*)  
**cordiceps**  
**corea**  
**cor(im (or -imb), -imbous** (*i = y*)  
**cor(ion, -la**  
**corbānt, -lan, -ic**  
—**corkt**  
—**cornd**  
—**corner(d, -wize**  
cornetist  
—**cornist** (*st = ced*)  
**corograf, -īc, -y**  
**coroid**  
**corporativ**  
—**corralḡd**  
**correctiv**  
**correlativ**  
**corroborativ**  
**corrosiv**  
**corruptiv**  
**cor(us, -ust, -using; -agus, -al, -ist, -ister, -istic** (*c = ch*)  
corvet  
**corvin**  
**cosmograf(y, -īc, -ist**  
**costiv**  
**cotiledon, -al, -ous**  
**cottis, -t**  
—**cottōnd**  
—**coucht**  
**coulom** (*m = mb*)

**councilor**  
 —counsel(d, -ing; -or  
 —countenast (*st = ced*)  
**counter**(activ, -balanst,  
   checkt, -marcht,  
   -markt, -poisd,  
   -signnd, -vaild  
 —counterd  
 counterfit, -ed, -ing; -er  
 countri(man, -side, *etc.*  
 —coupld  
 —courst  
 —coverd  
 cov(y, -ies  
 —cowd  
 —cowerd  
 —cowl  
 —coyd  
 —cozend  
 coz(y, -ier, -iest, -iness  
 —crackld  
 —crackt  
 —cradld  
 —cramd  
 —cramp  
 —cramp  
 —cranlograf, -y  
 —crankt  
 —crannid  
 crape (crêpe)  
 cras  
 —crasht  
 —crawfisht  
 —crawld  
 —crayond  
 —creakt  
 —creamd  
 —creast  
 creativ  
 crenel, -ate, -ation  
 eres  
 creton  
 crevas (*s = ssc*)  
 —crevist (*st = ced*)  
 —cribbld  
 —cribd  
 —erickt  
 —crimminativ  
 —crimpld  
 —crimpt  
 —crimsond  
 —crinkld  
 —cripld  
 cript, -ic (*i¹ = y*)  
 criptogam, -ia, -ic, -y  
 criptograf, -ic, -ist, -y  
 criptogram, -ic

cripto(logy, -nim  
 crisal(is, -id, -idal  
 erisanthemum  
 crisceros, -t  
 criselefantln  
 erism, -al, -atory  
 criso(beril, -lite, -prase  
 —crispt  
 cristal, -ln (*or ine*), -ize,  
   -old, -oidal  
 cristalograf(y, -er, -ic  
 criticize  
 —croakt  
 —crockt  
 crom(a, -atic, -c, -o  
 crom(ium, -ic, -ous  
 cromlec  
 cromol(lithograf, -sfere,  
   -tipe, *etc.*  
 cronie  
 croniel(e, -d  
 crono(graf, -gram,  
   -logy, -meter,  
   -scope, *etc.*  
 —crook(t, -backt  
 —croond  
 —cropt  
 croquet (*t = tte*)  
 cros, -t; -bard, -bil, -eyd,  
   -hatcht, -wize, *etc.*  
 —crotcht  
 —croucht  
 croup  
 —crownd  
 crozier  
 —crusld  
 crum, -d, -ming; -my  
 —crumbid  
 —crumpld  
 —cruncht  
 —crusht  
 —crutcht  
 eucurbit  
 —cuddld  
 —cudgel(d, -ing; -cr  
 cue (queue)  
 euf, -t  
 cul, -d  
 —cumberd  
 eumin  
 cumulativ  
 —cupt  
 curativ  
 —curbd  
 —curdld  
 —curl

—curri(d, -comb  
 cursiv  
 —curst  
 —curtaild  
 —curtailnd  
 curtesy (*Eng. law*)  
 curts(y, -id; -ies  
 curv, -d  
 —curvet(ed, -ing  
 —cushiond  
 cuspidor  
 —customd  
 cutlas, -es  
 cy- (*see cl-*)  
 cyan(id (*or -ide*)

**D**

—dabbl  
 —dabd  
 daetil, -ic, -itis, -ology  
 dagerreotype  
 —dagld  
 dalri(maid, -man  
 —dalsid  
 —dallid  
 —damaskt  
 —damd (*d = med*)  
 —damnd  
 —dampend  
 —damp  
 —dandld  
 dandruf  
 —dangld  
 —danst (*st = ced*)  
 —dappld  
 —darkend  
 —darkld  
 dark(y, -ies  
 —darnd  
 —dasht  
 dativ  
 —daubd  
 daufin, -ess  
 —dawld  
 —dawnd  
 —dazzld  
 —debard  
 —deparkt  
 —debaucht  
 debilitativ  
 debonair  
 —deboucht  
 decad  
 deca(gram, -liter, -meter  
 decalog

—decampt  
decarburize  
decasyllab(le, -ic  
—decayd  
—deceast  
deceptiv  
declet, -ful  
deciev, -d, -ing  
decifer, -d  
deci(gram, -liter, -meter  
decisiv  
—deckt  
—declaimd  
declarativ  
decolor, -d; -ation, -ize  
decomposit  
decorativ  
—decoyd  
—decreast  
decretiv  
—decupid  
decursiv  
ded, -hed, -loekt, etc.  
dedal, -ian, -ous  
deden, -d, -ing; -er  
deduciv  
deductiv  
—deemd  
—depend  
def  
defectiv  
defen, -d  
defens(e, -iv  
—deferd  
definit, -iv  
—defle(xt, -ctiv  
—deflowerd  
—deformd  
—defrayd  
degenerativ  
dehydrate  
—dehorn'd  
dehumanize  
—deignd  
del (l = ll)  
—delayd  
deletiv  
delfin, -ic  
deliberativ  
—deliquet (t = ced)  
delite, -ful, -some  
—delivrd  
—deloust  
—delt (t = ea)  
delusiv  
delv, -d

demagog, -ic, -ism, -y  
detrain (demesne)  
—demeand  
demeanor  
demize  
demobilize  
demolish  
—demolish't  
demon, -ic  
demonetize  
demonstrativ  
demoralize  
—demurd  
denationalize  
denaturalize  
—dend (d = ned)  
denominativ  
denotativ  
denouement  
—denounst (st = ced)  
dent (in (or -ine)  
denunciativ  
deodorize  
deoxidize  
depletiv  
—deployd  
depolarize  
deprecativ  
depreciativ  
—depres(t, -siv  
depurativ  
—deraignd  
—deraild  
derisiv  
derivativ  
derogativ  
descriptiv  
deserv, -d  
desiccativ  
desiderativ  
designativ  
—designd  
—despaird  
despize  
—despoild  
destin, -d  
—destroyd  
destructiv  
det, -tor (t = bt)  
—detacht  
—detaild  
—detailnd  
detectiv  
detentiv  
—deterd  
determin, -d; -ativ

detersiv  
deth, -'shed, -sman, etc.  
detractiv  
detrusiv  
develop, -t  
—devil(d, -ing; -ish  
deviz(e, -al, -ee, -or  
devolv, -d  
—devourd  
—dewd  
dextrin  
dextrograte  
diafan(ous, -eity  
diafonic, -s  
diafore(sis, -tic  
diafram, -d, -ing  
diafragmatic  
diagraf  
—diagram(d, -ing; -atic  
—dial(d, -ing; -ist  
dial(isis, -itle, -ize (i<sup>2</sup> = y)  
dialog  
diare(a, -al, -ic, -tic  
—dibbl'd  
dicefalus  
—dickerd  
dicky  
diclorid  
dicotiledon, -ous  
dicotom(y, -ous  
dicro(ism, -ic  
dicromat(ism, -ic  
dicto(fone, -graf  
—diddid  
dieci(an, -ous  
dieresis  
—differd  
—differenst (st = ced)  
diffic(il (or -ile)  
diffractiv  
diffusiv  
diftheri(a, -al, -c, -tic  
difthong, -al, -ous  
—digd  
digestiv  
digraf  
—digres(t, -siv  
dike  
dll  
dillidall(y, -id  
—dimd  
—dimensiond  
—diminish't  
diminutiv  
dimorf, -ic, -ism, -ous  
—dimpld

- dina**(mic, -meter, -mite  
**dinamo**, -meter, *etc.*  
**dinast**, -ic, -y  
 —**dind** (*d = ned*)  
**dine** (*i = y*)  
 —**dlngd**  
**dlng**(y, -ies (*y = ey*)  
**diox**(id (*or -ide*)  
 dipsy  
 —dipt  
**dlptlc** (*i² = y; c = ch*)  
**directiv**  
**dis-** (*see note, "omitted forms."*)  
 —**disabl**  
 —**disburst** (*t = ed*)  
 —**discernd**  
**disciplin**, -d  
 —**discourst**  
 —**discoverd**  
**diseras**(ia, -ial, -ic, -y  
 (*i¹ = y*)  
**discriminativ**  
**discursiv**  
 —**discus**(t, -siv  
 —**disdaind**  
 —**diseasd**  
 —**disembowel**(d, -ing  
**disemia** (*i¹ = y*)  
**disenter**(y, -ic  
**disgize**  
 —**disgruntld**  
 —**dishevel**(d, -ing  
 —**disht**  
**disjunctiv**  
 disk  
 —**dismayd**  
 —**dismis**(t, -siv  
 dispatch, -t; -er  
 —**dispeld**  
 —**dispenst**  
**dispep**(sia, -tic  
 —**dispers**(t, -siv  
 —**displayd**  
**dispne**(a, -al, -ic (*i = y*)  
**disprosim** (*i¹ = y*)  
**disputativ**  
**disruptiv**  
 —**dissembld**  
**disseminativ**  
**dissiez**, -d; -ee, -in, -or,  
 —ure (*ie = ei*)  
**dissillab**(le, -ic, -ify,  
 —ize  
**dissociativ**  
**dissolv**, -d
- distaf**  
 —**distanst** (*st = ced*)  
**distaxia** (*i¹ = y*)  
**disteleolog**(y, -ist (*i = y*)  
**distic**, -ous (*c = ch*)  
 distil, -d  
**distinctiv**  
 —**distinguisht**  
**distractiv**  
 —**distraind**  
 —**distrest**  
**distributiv**  
 —**disturbd**  
 disulf(id, -uret  
**disur**(ia, -ic, -y (*i¹ = y*)  
 —**ditcht**  
**dithir**(am (*or -amb*),  
 —amble  
**divertiv**  
**divisiv**  
 —**divorst** (*st = ced*)  
 —**dizend**  
 —**dizzid**  
**do**, -es; -skin (*o = oe*)  
**do**, -ey; -nut (*o = ough*)  
**doc**(il (*or -ile*)  
 —**dockt**  
 —**doctord**  
**doctrin**  
 —**dodderd**  
**dodecastile** (*i = y*)  
**dodecasillab**(le, -ic  
**dof**, -t  
 —**dogd**  
 dogmatize  
**dol**  
 —**dold** (*d = ed*)  
**dolfin**  
**doliccocefal**(ic, -ous, -us  
 dolor, -iferous, -ific, -ous  
 domicil, -d  
**dominativ**  
 —**domineerd**  
**donativ**  
 —**dond**  
**donk**(y, -les  
 —**doomd**  
 —**dormerd**  
 —**doubld**  
 —**doust**  
**dout**, -ful (*t = bt*)  
 —**dovetalld**  
 —**dowel**(d, -ing  
 —**dowerd**  
 —**down**(d, -harted, -hil  
 dowry
- drabbl**  
**draff** (*f = ff*)  
 draft, -s, -sman, -y  
 —**dragd**  
 —**draggl**  
 —**dragoond**  
 —**draind**  
 dram (drachm)  
 dramatize  
 —**drawld**  
 —**dreamd**  
**dred**, -ed, -ing; -ful  
 —**dredgd**  
**drednaught**  
 —**dremt**  
 —**drencht**  
**dress**, -t; -maker  
 —**dribbl**  
**dril**, -d  
**dri**(ly, -ness, -salter  
 —dript  
 —**drivel**(d, -ing; -er  
 —**drizzld**  
 —**droid** (*d = led*)  
 —**droold**  
 —**droopt**  
 —**dropsid**  
 —**dropt**  
**dros**  
 drosky  
 —**drown**  
**drowz**, -d; -y  
 —**drubd**  
 —**drudgd**  
 —**drugd**  
 —**drumd**  
 —**dubd**  
**dubitativ**  
**duckbil**  
 —**duckt**  
**ductil**  
 duel(ing, -ist  
**duf**  
**dul**, -d, -ness  
**dum**, -d, -ming; -bel,  
 —found, *etc.*  
 —**dump**  
 —**dund**  
**dunderhed**, -ed  
**dunghil**  
**duplicativ**  
 —**dwarft**  
**dwel**, -t (*or -d*)  
 —**dwindld**  
 dy- (*see di-*)  
**dyestuf**

## E

eager (*er = re*)  
 —ear(d, -markt  
 —earn(d  
 —eartht  
 —eas(d  
 eavs, -drop, -dropt  
 eb, -d  
 ebonize  
 —echelond  
 —ecclpst  
 eclog  
 eco, -ed, -ing; -es (*c = ch*)  
 ecolog(y, -ic, -ist  
 economize  
 ecumenical  
 —eddid  
 —edg(d, -ewize  
 edil(e, -ian, -eship  
 educativ  
 eductiv  
 educerativ  
 efemer(a, -al, -ld, -idae,  
   -is, -on  
 effactv  
 effectiv  
 —efferves(t, -ctv  
 —efflorest (*t = ced*)  
 effusiv  
 effakes  
 efod  
 eg, -d; -nog, -plant  
 egis  
 egret  
 eidograf  
 eightifold  
 ejectiv  
 el, -wand  
 elaborativ  
 —elapst  
 —elbowd  
 electiv  
 electrin  
 electrize  
 electrodynamic, -s  
 electrol(isis, -ite, -itic,  
   -ize  
 electro(motiv, -negativ,  
   -positiv  
 electrotecnic, -al, -s  
 electrotip(e, -ic, -ist, -y  
 eleemosinary  
 elephant, -in, -iasis  
 ellminativ  
 elisl(um, -an

elitr(on (*or -um*)  
 elucidativ  
 elusiv  
 elvs  
 em- (*see note, "omitted  
   forms."*)  
 emanativ  
 emancipativ  
 —embalmd  
 —embarkt  
 —embarrast  
 —embellisht  
 —embezzld  
 emblemize  
 —embost  
 emfa(sis, -size, -tic  
 emfisema  
 emir  
 emissiv  
 emotiv  
 empirea(n, -l  
 empireuma, -tic  
 —employd  
 emprize  
 —emptid  
 emulativ  
 emulsiv  
 en- (*see note, "omitted  
   forms."*)  
 —enabl(d  
 enactiv  
 —enamel(d, -ing; -er, -ist  
 enamor, -d, -ing  
 encefal(on, -le, -ous  
 enchima  
 encelle, -al  
 enciclopedi(a, -ac, -al,  
   -an, -e, -st  
 encist, -ation  
 encori(al, -e, -ous, -stic  
 —encounterd  
 —encroacht  
 —endeard  
 endeavor, -d  
 end(iv (*or -ive*)  
 endofillous  
 endofit(e, -al, -le, -ous  
 —endorst  
 —endowd  
 endwize  
 enfranchize  
 engin, -d; -ry  
 —engineerd  
 —englisht  
 —engrost  
 —enhanst (*st = ced*)

enigmatize  
 —enjoind  
 —enjoyd  
 —enlightend  
 —enounst (*st = ced*)  
 —enricht,  
 enrol, -d, -ing; -ment  
 —entalld  
 —enterd  
 enterprize  
 —entertaind  
 enthimeme  
 enthral, -d; -ment  
 —entranst (*st = ced*)  
 enuf  
 enumerativ  
 enunciativ  
 envelop, -t  
 —envid  
 —environd  
 enzim  
 colian  
 eon, -ian  
 epare  
 epaulet, -ed  
 epicallx  
 eplele(e, -le, -old  
 epifany  
 epifite  
 epiginous  
 epigraf, -le, -ist, -y  
 epigram, -d, -ing; -atic,  
   -atism, -atist, -atize  
 epillog  
 epistile (*i<sup>2</sup> = y*)  
 epistrophe  
 epitaf  
 epitomize  
 epoc, -al  
 eponlm, -le, -ist, -ous  
 —equal(d, -ing; -ize  
 equestrien  
 equ(ln (*or -ine*)  
 —equipt  
 equivoke  
 er, -d  
 era  
 eradcativ  
 erect(il, -lv  
 ergograf  
 erispel(as, -atous, -old  
 ermin, -d  
 erosiv  
 eruptiv  
 —escallopt  
 escar, -otie (*c = ch*)



**escatology**  
 —eschewd  
 eseritoir  
 —escutcheond  
 esculapian  
 eskimo  
 esofag(us, -eal  
 —espousd  
 —essayd  
 essoïn  
 —establisht  
 estafet  
 —esteemd  
 esthet(e, -ic  
 estimativ  
 estiva(te, -l, -tion  
 —estopt  
 —etcht  
 eternize  
 ether, -eal, -eous, -ize  
 etherealize  
 ethil, -ated, -ic, -ene  
 ethiop, -ian, -ic  
 ethnarc  
 ethnograf(y, -er, -ic  
 ethografy  
 etimolog(y, -ic, -ist, -ize  
 etimon (*i = y*)  
 etiolog(y, -ic  
 etiquet  
 —ettld  
 eucalipt, -us  
 eucarist, -ic  
 eucher, -d  
 eudemon(ies, -ism, -ist,  
 -ology  
 eufem(ism, -ist, -istie,  
 -ize  
 eufon(y, -ic, -ious, -ism,  
 -ize  
 eufu(ism, -ist, -ize  
 eulogize  
 eunuc  
 evacuativ  
 —evanest (*t = ced*)  
 evangelize  
 —evanisht  
 evaporativ  
 easiv  
 —evend  
 everl(ody, -thing,  
 -where  
 eversiv  
 —evidenst (*st = ced*)  
 —evin(st, -clv  
 evol, -d

**exaggerativ**  
 exa~~mn~~in, -d  
 exarc, -ate  
 exceed(e, -ed, -ing  
 —excel(d, -ence, -ency,  
 -ent, -ently  
 exceptiv  
 excerptiv  
 excessiv  
 excitativ  
 exciz(e, -lon  
 —exclaind  
 exclamativ  
 exclusiv  
 excretiv  
 exeursiv  
 execerativ  
 executiv  
 exercise  
 exertiv  
 exfoliativ  
 exhaustiv  
 exhibitiv  
 exhortativ  
 exonerativ  
 exorcize  
 expansiv  
 expectorativ  
 —expeld  
 expensiv  
 —experlenst (*st = ced*)  
 —explaind  
 expletiv  
 explicativ  
 explorativ  
 explosiv  
 expositiv  
 expostulativ  
 —expres(t, -siv  
 —expuls(t, -iv  
 exquisit  
 exsanguin  
 exsiccativ  
 extemporize  
 extens(ill, -iv  
 extenuativ  
 exterminativ  
 externalize  
 extinetiv  
 —extinguisht  
 extirpativ  
 extol, -d, -ing; -er  
 extractiv  
 extrusiv  
 —ey(d, -ing  
 cyry

**F**

—fabld  
 fabulize  
 —facet(ed, -ing  
 facil  
 factitiv  
 —factord  
 facultativ  
 —fadgd  
 faeton  
 —fagd  
 fagot (*t = tt*)  
 fagot, -ed, -ing (faggot)  
 —faild  
 fairillike  
 fakir  
 falange(s, -al  
 falanster(y, -lan  
 falanx, -t; -es  
 falconin  
 fallin (*f = ph*)  
 —fallowd  
 —faltered  
 familiarize  
 famin  
 —famisht  
 —fancid  
 —fand  
 fanerogam, -ia, -ous  
 —fangd  
 —fangld  
 fantas(y, -ia, -ist, -m, -mal  
 fantasmagor(ia, -ial, -ic  
 fantast, -ic, -icality  
 fantom  
 faradize  
 faradize  
 farewel  
 farin(x, -gal, -geal, -ges,  
 -goscope, -gotomy  
 faris(ee, -ale, -aism  
 farmaceut(ic, -ist  
 farmacolog(y, -ic, -ist  
 farmacope(ia, -ial, -ist  
 farmacopolist  
 farmac(y, -al, -ist  
 —farm(d, -sted  
 far(os, -ology  
 —farrowd  
 —farst (*st = ced*)  
 fas(e, -ic, -is  
 —fashiond  
 —fasht  
 —fastend  
 —fatherd  
 —fathomd

- fattend  
 favor, -d  
 favorit  
 —fawnd  
 —fayd  
 —feard  
 febe (*f = ph; e² = x*)  
 febrill  
 fec(es, -al  
 federativ  
 feez, -d  
 —feignd  
 fel, -d  
 fello, -es (*o = oe*)  
 feminin  
 fenacetin  
 fenic  
 fenix  
 fenogam, -la, -ic, -ous  
 fenol  
 fenomen(on, -al  
 —fenst (*st = ced*)  
 feof, -ment  
 fer(in (*or = ine*)  
 fermentativ  
 —ferri(d, -man  
 ferrotipe  
 fertil, -ize  
 fervor  
 fes  
 fesant (*f = ph; e = ea*)  
 —festerd  
 festiv  
 —festoond  
 —fetcht  
 fether, -d; -y; -hed, *etc.*  
 fetish, -ism  
 fet(or, -id  
 —fetterd  
 —fettld  
 fet(us, -al  
 —feverd  
 —fibd  
 fiber, -d  
 fibrin  
 ficolog(y, -ic, -ist  
 fict(il, -iv  
 —fiddld  
 —fidget(ed, -ing; -y  
 fiftifold  
 —figd  
 figurativ  
 fike, -net (*i = y*)  
 fil, -d (*l = ll*)  
 filacter, -y  
 filander, -d  
 philanthrop(e, -ic, -ist, -y  
 filatel(y, -ic, -ist  
 —fleht  
 filfot (*i = y*)  
 filharmonic  
 fillbeg  
 —fillbusterd  
 filippic  
 filistin, -ism  
 —fillip(t, -ing  
 fillis (*f = ph; i¹ = y*)  
 fillium  
 fillo(clad, -de, -gen, -id,  
 —fore, -me, -taxis,  
 —xera, *etc.*  
 —filmd  
 filogen(y, -esis, -etic, -ic  
 filolog, -ic, -ist, -ize, -y  
 filological (*f = ph; i¹ = y*)  
 filomath, -ic, -y  
 filomel  
 flopena  
 filoprogenitiv  
 filosof, -er, -ic, -ism,  
 —ist, -istic, -ize, -y  
 filter, -d  
 filter (*f = ph; cr = rc*)  
 filum  
 —finanst (*st = ced*)  
 —finger(d, -breadth  
 —finisht  
 —firmd  
 —fisht  
 fisic, -t, -king; -lan, -ky  
 fisic(s, -al, -ist  
 fisiognom(y, -er, -ic, -ist  
 fisiolog(y, -ic, -ist  
 fistque  
 fissll (*l = lc*)  
 fistleuf  
 fito(grafy, -fagous  
 —logy, -id  
 fixativ  
 —fixt  
 fiz, -d (*z = zz*)  
 fiz (*f = ph*)  
 —fizzld  
 —flag(d, -staf  
 —fialld  
 flanch, -t  
 —flankt  
 —flanneld  
 —flapt  
 —flasht  
 —flatrend  
 —flatterd  
 flavor, -d; -ous  
 —flawd  
 —flaxt  
 —flayd  
 flebotom(y, -ist, -ize  
 —fleckt  
 —fiedg(d, -ling  
 —fleerd  
 —fleest (*st = ced*)  
 fle(m, -gmatie  
 —flesht  
 —flew d  
 —flex(t, -il  
 fliblow, -n (*i = y*)  
 flicatcher (*i = y*)  
 —flickerd  
 —fleckt  
 fier  
 —flimflamd  
 —flincht  
 —flipt  
 —flitterd  
 flo, -es (*o = oe*)  
 —flockt  
 —flogd  
 flogist(on, -ic  
 —floord  
 —flopt  
 flos (*s = ss*)  
 —flounderd  
 —flounst (*st = ced*)  
 —flourd  
 —flourisht  
 —flowd  
 —flowerd  
 flox (*f = ph*)  
 fluf, -t  
 —flunkt  
 flunk(y, -ies  
 fluor(id (*or = ide*)  
 fluor(in (*or = ine*)  
 —flurrld  
 —flusht  
 —flusterd  
 —flutterd  
 fluvlatil  
 —fluxt  
 fo, -es; -man  
 —foald  
 —foamd  
 —fobd  
 —focus(t, -ing  
 —fodderd  
 —fogd  
 fog(y, -ies  
 —foild

—fellowd  
 —fondid  
 fon(e, -ic, -ies  
 fonetic, -ian, -ist, -s  
 fono- (phono-), etc.  
 fonograf, -t, -ing  
 fonograf(y, -er, -ic, -ist  
 fonogram  
 fonolog(y, -er, -ic, -ist  
 fonotip(e, -ic, -ist, -y  
 —foold  
 —foozld  
 —forayd  
 forbad  
 fore- (see note, "omitted  
 forms.")  
 foren, -er, -ness  
 forfit, -ed, -ing; -ure  
 forgiv, -ness  
 forgo, -n (*n = ne*)  
 —forkt  
 formaldehide  
 —form(d, -ativ  
 —forst (*st = ced*)  
 fortifold  
 fos (*s = ss*)  
 fosfat(e, -ic  
 fosf(id (or -ide), -ite  
 fosfores(ce, -t; -cence,  
 -cent  
 fosfor(us, -ate, -ic, -ous  
 fosfuret, -ed  
 fossilize  
 —fosterd  
 fotie  
 foto- (photo-) etc.  
 fotocromografy  
 fotocronograf, -ic, -y  
 fotofone  
 fotograf, -t, -ing; -er,  
 -ic, -y  
 fotolithograf, -t; -ic, -y  
 fotomet(er, -ric, -ry  
 fotosfer(e, -ic  
 fotosinthe(sis, -tic  
 fototelegraf, -ic, -y  
 fototip(e, -ografy, -y  
 —fould  
 —founderd  
 foundry  
 —foxt  
 fragil  
 franchise  
 —frankt  
 —frapt  
 frase, -ologic, -ology

fraternize  
 fratr(y, -a, -ia, -ic  
 —frayd  
 —frazzld  
 —freakt  
 —freckld  
 freewil  
 freez  
 frenalgia  
 —frencht  
 frend, -ship  
 fren(etie, -itis  
 frenolog(y, -ic, -ist  
 frenz(y, -id  
 frequentativ  
 —freshend  
 —fribbld  
 fricativ  
 friez, -d (*z = ze*)  
 —frightend  
 fril, -d  
 —friskt  
 —fritterd  
 friz, -d  
 —frizzld  
 —frockt  
 —frogd  
 —frolict  
 —frotht  
 —frownd  
 frowzy  
 —frumprt  
 —fubd  
 —fuddld  
 —fuel(d, -ing  
 fugitiv  
 ful, -d; -ness  
 fulfil, -d; -ment  
 fulmin, -d  
 —fumbld  
 —funkt  
 —funnelld  
 —furbisht  
 —furd  
 —furd  
 furlo, -ed, -ing  
 —furnisht  
 furor  
 —furrowd  
 —furtherd  
 furtiv  
 fus, -t  
 futil  
 fuz, -d  
 fuz(e, -ed; -ee, -il  
 fy- (see fi-)

G

—gabbld  
 —gabd  
 —gabld  
 gaf, -t  
 —gagd  
 gag(e, -ed, -ing  
 gai(ety, -ly  
 —gald  
 —gaiterd  
 galantin  
 —gald (*d = led*)  
 —galloond  
 —gallop(t, -ing; -er  
 gali(y, -ies  
 galvanize  
 —gambld  
 —gambol(d, -ing  
 —gambreid  
 gametofit(e, -ic  
 —gammond  
 gamofillous  
 gang (*g<sup>2</sup> = gue*)  
 gantlet, -ed  
 gantry  
 —gapt  
 garant(ee, -or, -y  
 —garbd  
 —garbld  
 gard, -ian; -sman, etc.  
 —gardend  
 —gargld  
 —gargoyld  
 —garnerd  
 —garnisht  
 —garrisond  
 garr(ot, (or -ote)  
 —garterd  
 gasol(in (or -ine)  
 —gasht  
 —gaspt  
 —gast (*t = sed*)  
 gastly (*g = gh*)  
 gat (*g = gh*)  
 —gatherd  
 gauz  
 gavot  
 gazel  
 gazet  
 —geard  
 gee (*g = gh*)  
 gelatin, -ize  
 —gemd  
 gendarmery  
 —genderd

- generald  
 generalize  
 generativ  
 genitiv  
 —gentld  
 genuin  
 geofag(y, -ism, -ist  
 geograf(y, -er, -ic  
 geologize  
 gerdon  
 gerilla  
 gerkin  
 germinativ  
 gerrimander, -d  
 gerundlv  
 ges, -t; -ses (*g = gu; s = ss*)  
 gest (*g = gu*)  
 gesticulativ  
 getto  
 gh- (*see g-*)  
 —gibberd  
 —gibbet(ed, -ing  
 —gibd  
 gld(e, -ance, -on  
 —giggld  
 gil  
 gil, -d  
 gild, -ry, -ship  
 gilder (*g = gu*)  
 gile, -ful  
 gillemot  
 gillflower  
 gillotin(e, -ed  
 gilt, -y (*g = gu*)  
 glnkana  
 glnnas(lum, -t, -tie  
 glnnosperm, -ous  
 glmpe  
 glnnosof(y, -ist  
 ginea, -fowl, -pig, etc.  
 —gind (*d = ned*)  
 gineceum  
 glneecolog(y, -leal, -ist  
 gips(um, -eous  
 gipsy  
 glpure  
 giraf  
 gir(al, -ant  
 girat(e, -ion, -ory  
 —girdld  
 giroscop(e, -ic  
 girostat, -ies  
 —girtht  
 gir(us, -i  
 gitar  
 glv  
 glv(e, -ed (*i = y*)  
 glze (*g = gu; ize = ise*)  
 —gladdend  
 glamor, -d; -ous  
 —glanst (*st = ced*)  
 glas, -t; -ful, -ware, etc.  
 —gleamd  
 —gleand  
 glier(in (*or -ine*), -ie  
 gllicogen  
 glif, -ic, -ografy  
 —glimmerd  
 —glimpst  
 glipt(ic, -les, -ograf  
 —glistend  
 —glisterd  
 —glitterd  
 —gloamd  
 —gloomd  
 —glorid  
 glos, -t; -sografy  
 —glowd  
 —glowerd  
 gloz(e, -ed  
 —gnarld  
 —gnasht  
 —gnawd  
 —gobbl  
 gofer, -wood  
 —golferd  
 —goggld  
 goiter, -d  
 —golft  
 gon, -ness  
 goodbye  
 gormand, -ize  
 —gospel(d, -ing; -er  
 —gossip(t, -ing  
 gost, -ly (*g = gh*)  
 goul, -ish (*g = gh*)  
 —governd  
 —gownd  
 —grabd  
 gracil  
 graf, -ic  
 grafit(e, -ic  
 grafo(fone, -meter,  
 —tipe, etc.  
 —graind  
 gram  
 gramofone  
 granit  
 granny  
 —grappld  
 gras, -t; -hopper, etc.  
 —graspt  
 —gravel(d, -ing; -y  
 gray, -d; -er, -est, -ish  
 —greast  
 greavs  
 grecism  
 —green(d, -hart  
 griev, -d  
 grif  
 gril, -d (*l = ll*)  
 gril (*l = lle*)  
 grip (*p = ppe*)  
 —gript  
 griset  
 —grizzld  
 —groand  
 —groind  
 —groomd  
 groov, -d  
 grotesk, -ry  
 —groucht  
 groundsil  
 —groupt  
 —groust  
 —grovel(d, -ing; -er  
 —growld  
 —grubd  
 —grudgd  
 —gruel(d, -ing  
 gruesome  
 gruf  
 —grumbld  
 gu- (*pronounst g, see g-*)  
 —gudgeond  
 guf  
 —guffawd  
 gul, -d  
 —gulft  
 —gullid  
 —gulpt  
 —gumd  
 —gund  
 —gurgld  
 gurry (*g = gh*)  
 —gusht  
 gustativ  
 —gutterd  
 —guyd  
 —guzzld  
 gy- (*see gi-*)

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- hackld  
 haekn(y, -ld; -les, -yism  
 —hackt  
 —hagd

—haggld  
hagiograf(a, -al, -er, -y  
—haild  
—hair(d, -bredth  
halid  
—hallowd  
—halterd  
halv, -d; -s  
—hammer(d, -hed  
—hamperd  
hand(bredth, -cuff, etc.  
—handicapt  
—handld  
—hangd  
—hankerd  
—hankt  
hansel, -d, -ing  
—happend  
—hapt  
harang, -d  
—harast  
harbor, -d; -age  
—hardend  
hare(bel, -braind, etc.  
harken, -d, -ing  
—harkt  
—harmd  
harmonize  
—harnest  
—harpoond  
harpsicord  
—harpt  
harquebus  
—harrid  
—harrowd  
hart, -ake, -felt, etc.  
harten, -d  
harth, -stone  
hart(y, -ier, -lest  
hashish  
—hasht  
—haspt  
—hastend  
—hatchel(d, -ing  
—hatcht  
—hauld  
—hauncht  
hav  
havoc, -tj  
—hawd  
—hawkd  
—hayd  
—heald  
—heapt  
heav, -d; -s  
hecatom (*m = mb*)

—heckld  
hectograf, -t  
hecto(gram, -liter, -meter  
—hectord  
hed, -ed, -ing; -er,  
—ship, -y; -ake, etc.  
—hedgd  
—heeld  
hel, -ward  
helicopter  
heliograf, -t; -ic, -y  
heliotip(e, -ografy, -y  
—helmd  
—helpt  
helth, -ful, -some, -y  
helv, -d  
hemal  
hemat(in, -ite, -oid, -ology  
—hem(d, -sticht  
hemisfer(e, -ic, -oid  
hemistic (*c = ch*)  
hemoglobin  
hemerag(e, -ic  
hemoroid, -al, -s  
hemostatic  
hendiadis (*i<sup>2</sup> = y*)  
—henpeckt  
hepta(cord, -teuc  
heresiare  
hermafrod(ite, -itic  
heroin (*n = ne*)  
heteroginous (*i = y*)  
heteromorf(ic, -ism,  
—ous, -y  
heteronim, -ous  
hether, -d; -y  
heven, -ward  
hev(y, -ier, -lest,  
—iweight  
—hewd  
hexastile  
hibrid, -ism, -ize, -ous  
hiceof, -t, -fing  
hiceup, -t, -ing  
hidatid (*i<sup>1</sup> = y*)  
hidra, -heded  
hidragog  
hidrangea  
hidrant  
hidr(ate, -ic, -ous  
hidraulic, -s  
hidro- (hydro-), etc.  
hidrocefal(ous, -oid, -us  
hidro(cloric, -cyanic,  
—dinamics, -fite,  
—lite, -mecanics

hidrofobi(a, -c  
hidrogen, -ous, -ize  
hidrograf(y, -e; -ic  
hidroxil  
hierarc, -al  
hierofant, -ic  
hieroglif, -ic  
hieromartir  
hifen, -d; -ate, -ation  
—higgld  
hight (height)  
highten, -d, -ing  
higien(e, -ic, -ist  
higromet(er, -rie, -ry  
higroscop(e, -ic  
hll, -d; -man, -top, etc.  
hilism (*i<sup>1</sup> = y*)  
hilo(theism, -zoism  
himen, -eal  
himenopter, -a, -ous  
himn, -d, -ing; -al, -ic,  
—ist, -ody, -ografy,  
—ologist, -ology  
—hinderd  
—hinnd  
hipallage  
hiper- (hyper-), etc.  
hiperbol(a, -c, -ic  
hiperborean  
hipercritic, -al, -ism  
hipertrof(y, -id  
hipno(sis, -tic, -tlism,  
—tist, -tize  
hipo- (hypo-), etc.  
hipocondri(a, -ac, -um  
hipocri(sy, -t, -tical  
hipoderm, -ic  
hipofige (*i<sup>1</sup> = y; i<sup>2</sup> = y*)  
hipofosf(ate, -ite,  
—orous  
hiposta(sis, -tic  
hiposulfite  
hipotenuse  
hipotheat(e, -ion, -or  
hipothe(sis, -tic  
hippofag(y, -ist, -us  
hippogrif  
—hipt  
hirax  
hirein  
hison  
hissop  
—hist (*t = sed*)  
histeri(a, -c, -cs  
hisorlograf(y, -er  
—hitcht

**ho**, -ed, -ing; -es

—hoaxt

—hobbld

—hobnaild

—hobnobd

hock, -t, -ing (*ock = ough*)

—hockt

**hocky**

—hocus(t, -ing

—hog(d, -backt, -shed

—hoidend

—hold (*d = ed*)hollistone (*i = y*)

hollihock

—hollowd

**holograf, -ic**

homeopath, -ic, -ist, -y

**homested****homofon(e, -ous, -y****homograf, -ic**

homolog

**homonim, -ous, -y****honicomb, -d****honidew, -d****honimoon, -d**

honor, -d; -arium, -ary

**hon(y, -id; -les; -isuckle**

—hoodwinkt

—hooft

—hookt

hooping-cof

—hoopt

—hoppld

—hopt

—horn(d, -bil

**horograf, -y**

—hors(t, -y; -ewhipt

**hortativ****hostil**

—housd

—hovel(d, -ing

—hoverd

—howld

—hucksterd

—huddld

**huf, -t**

—hugd

**hul, -d**

—hultt

humanize

—humbl

—humbugd

—humd

humor, -d; -al, -ism, -ist,

—ous, -some

—hump(t, -backt

—hunch(t, -backt

—hungerd

—hurdlld

—hurld

hurra, -ed, -ing

—hurrid

—hurtld

—husht

—huskt

—hustld

—hutcht

huzza, -ed, -ing

**hyacinthin****hyalin**hy- (*see hi-*)

hyena

**I**ich- (*see ic-*)

—icield

**iceneumon****icnograf, -y****icor, -old, -ose, -ous****icthyoid, -al****icthyofag(y, -ist, -ous****icthyolog(y, -ist****icthyosaurus**

idealize

**ideofone****ideograf, -ic, -y****idil, -ist, -lle****idioslnera(sy, -tic**

—idld

idolize

**lether** (*ie = ei, when so pro-**nounst*)**ll, -favord, -judgd, etc.****lland, -er****lle, -t****illativ****illumln, -d; -ativ****illusiv****illustrativ****imagin, -d; -ativ****imbecil****imbricativ****imitativ**

—immerst

—immesht

**immesurab(le, -illity**

—immewd

immortalize

**immortel**

—impaired

—impaneld

—impassiond

**impassiv**

—impeacht

—impeld

**impervativ**

—imperil(d, -ing

—imperturbd

**impetrativ****implicativ**

—impoverisht

—impres(t, -siv

—imprisond

**improviz(e, -ation,****-ator, -atrice**

—impt

—impugnd

—impuls(t, -iv

**imputativ****in-** (*see note, "Omitted forms."*)**in** (*n = nn*)**incarnadin, -d**

—incens(t, -iv

**incentiv****inceptiv**

—ineht

**incisiv****incitativ****inciz(e, -lon****inclusiv****inecoat(e, -ion, -iv****inecond(it** (*or -ite*)**inerassativ**

—increast

—ineurd

—indetted, -ness

—indext

**indicativ**

—indorst

**inductiv****indurativ****infant(il** (*or -ile*)**infant(in** (*or -ine*)**infectiv**

—inferd

**infinlt, -iv**

—infle(xt, -ctiv

—influenst (*st = ced*)

—inform(d, -ativ

**inhibitiv**

—initial(d, -ing

**initiativ**

—ink(t, -wel

**innovativ****inquisitiv****inscriptiv**

**insinuativ**  
**—inspand**  
**instal, -d; -ation, -ment**  
**—instanst** (*st = ced*)  
**insted** (*e = ea*)  
**instil, -d; -ment**  
**instinctiv**  
**institutiv**  
**instructiv**  
**intellectiv**  
**intensiv**  
**inter-** (*see note, "omitted forms."*)  
**interceptiv**  
**—interd**  
**interdictiv**  
**intermissiv**  
**—intern**  
**internec(in, -iv**  
**interpretativ**  
**interpretiv**  
**interrogativ**  
**—intersperst**  
**—interviewd**  
**intestin**  
**introductiv**  
**introspectiv**  
**intrusiv**  
**intuitiv**  
**—intumest** (*t = ced*)  
**invasiv**  
**invectiv**  
**—inveighd**  
**inventiv**  
**—inventorid**  
**—invert**  
**investigativ**  
**investitiv**  
**inviegl(e, -d** (*ie = ei*)  
**—involest** (*st = ced*)  
**involv, -d**  
**iod(id** (*or -ide*)  
**iod(in** (*or -ine*)  
**—irist**  
**—irkt**  
**—irond**  
**irradiativ**  
**irrelativ**  
**irrespectiv**  
**irritativ**  
**irruptiv**  
**isocromatic**  
**isocron(al, -le, -ous**  
**isomorph(c, -sm**  
**italicize**  
**—itcht**

**—itemd**  
**iterativ**  
**—ivid**  
**ivoritipe** (*i<sup>2</sup> = y; i<sup>3</sup> = y*)

**J**

**—jabberd**  
**—jabd**  
**—jackt**  
**—jagd**  
**jail, -d; -er, -or**  
**jam** (*m = mb*)  
**—jamd** (*d = med*)  
**—jangld**  
**janizary**  
**—japand**  
**—jard**  
**—jargond**  
**jargonel**  
**jasmin**  
**—jaundist** (*st = ced*)  
**—jawd**

**jaz, -d**  
**—jeerd**  
**—jellid**  
**jelous, -y**  
**jeopardize**  
**—jerk**  
**jerrimander, -d**  
**jers(y, -ies**  
**jes, -t** (*s = ss*)  
**jessamin**  
**—jettid**  
**—jettisond**  
**—jewd**  
**—jewel(d, -ing; -er, -ry**  
**—jibd**  
**—jigd**  
**—jiggerd**  
**—jiggld**  
**jil** (*l = ll*)  
**—jlmmlid**  
**—jingld**  
**jitn(y, -ies**  
**—jobd**  
**jock(y, -ld; -ies, -ylsm**  
**—jogd**  
**—joggld**  
**—jolnd**  
**—jollid**  
**jonquil**  
**jos**  
**—josht**  
**—jostld**  
**—jounst** (*st = ced*)

**journalize**  
**journ(y, -ld; -ier, -les; -iman, -lwork, etc.**  
**—jowld**  
**—joyd**  
**judaize**  
**—judg(d, -ment**  
**judicativ**  
**—jugd**  
**—juggld**  
**—juist** (*st = ced*)  
**julien**  
**—jumbld**  
**—jumpt**  
**—jungld**  
**—junkt**  
**jurlman**  
**just** (*joust*)  
**justificativ**  
**—justist** (*st = ced*)  
**juvenil**

**K**

**kaiak**  
**kalif, -ate, -ship**  
**kaliptra**  
**kaolin**  
**katidid** (*i<sup>1</sup> = y*)  
**—keekld**  
**—keekt**  
**—keel(d, -hauld**  
**—keend**  
**keev**  
**kelpy**  
**—kend**  
**—kcnnel(d, -ing**  
**—kerchief**  
**—kernel(d, -ing**  
**kers(y, -ies; -imere**  
**key** (*quay*)  
**—keyd**  
**—kict**  
**—kidnap(t, -ing; -er**  
**kidn(y, -ies**  
**kil, -d; -joy, etc.**  
**—kindld**  
**kinematograf**  
**kineto(fone, -graf**  
**—kingd**  
**—kinkt**  
**—kipperd**  
**kiriologic** (*i<sup>1</sup> = y*)  
**—kirtld**  
**kls, -t**  
**kitchenet**

—knaekt  
 —knapt  
 —kneeld (*or knelt*)  
 knel, -d  
 —knickt  
 —knobd  
 —kneekt  
 —knold (*d = led*)  
 —knuckld  
 —kodakt  
 kopek  
 koran  
 —kotowd  
 —kraald  
 kripton  
 kris  
 kyanize

## L

—label(d, -ing; -er  
 labirinth, -ean, -in  
 labor, -d  
 lacerativ  
 lacker, -d  
 lackluster  
 —lackt  
 lack(y, -ld; -les  
 laerim(al, -ary, -ation,  
     -atory, -ose, -osal  
 lacros (*s = ss*)  
 lacustrin  
 —ladderd  
 lad(l)ike, -ship, *etc.*  
 —ladld  
 laf, -t, -fing; -fable, -ter  
 —lagd  
 lam, -d, -ming; -kin,  
     -like, -skin, *etc.*  
 lam, -d (*m = mm*)  
 —lampond  
 lampry  
 —lampt  
 lanch, -t  
 languet  
 —languisht  
 lanolin  
 —lanst (*st = ced*)  
 —lapeld  
 —lapst  
 —lapt  
 largetto (*g = gh*)  
 laringo(scope, -scopy  
 larin(x, -geal, -gitte,  
     -gitis, -gotomy  
 —larkt

—larrupt  
 las (*s = ss*)  
 —lasht  
 —lateht  
 —latherd  
 —latht  
 —lattist (*st = ced*)  
 laudativ  
 —launderd  
 laundrman  
 —laureld  
 —lavenderd  
 —lavisht  
 —lawd  
 lavativ  
 —layerd  
 lazi(board, -bones, *etc.*  
 —leacht  
 —leaf  
 leag, -d, -ing  
 leager, -d  
 —leakt  
 —leand  
 —leapt  
 —learn(d, (*or -t*)  
 —leasht  
 —least (*t = cd*)  
 leastwize  
 leav  
 leav(s, -d  
 led, -ed, -ing; -s, -en;  
     -pencil, *etc.* (*e = ea*)  
 —ledgd  
 —leecht  
 —leerd  
 legalize  
 legat(in (*or -ine*)  
 —legd  
 legislativ  
 —lengthend  
 lengthwize  
 lenitiv  
 —lent (*e = ca*)  
 leon(in (*or -ine*)  
 lepor(in (*or -ine*)  
 —lept (*e = ca*)  
 les  
 —lessend  
 —lessond  
 lethargize  
 lether, -d; -et, -n, -y  
 —letterd  
 leucocite  
 levantin  
 —level(d, -ing; -er  
 leven, -d

—levld  
 levogl(ate, -ation  
 lexicograf(y, -er, -ic  
 —libel(d, -ing; -ant, -ous  
 libertin  
 leanthrop(e, -y  
 licens(e, -t  
 lecum (*i = y*)  
 lech, -gate (*i = y*)  
 —lechend  
 leopod, -lum  
 —lekt  
 licorice  
 liddle (*i = y*)  
 lesure (*ie = ei*)  
 lev  
 —lightend  
 —lighterd  
 —lkend  
 lkewize  
 —llld  
 llilver, -d  
 llm, -d (*m = mb*)  
 —llmberd  
 llmf, -atle (*i = y*)  
 llmfad  
 llmcolin  
 llmitativ  
 —llmnd  
 —llmpt  
 llmch, -t (*i = y*)  
 —llngerd  
 —llnkt  
 llnotipe  
 llnsy, -woolsy  
 —llntel(d, -ing  
 llmx, -eyd  
 llonize  
 llpothlmy  
 —llpt  
 llquefactiv  
 —llquord  
 llrate (*i = y*)  
 llr(e, -le, -leally, -ist  
 -llsis, -lltie (-lysis, *i*  
     -lytic, *suffixes*)  
 —llspt  
 —llstend  
 llster(in (*or -ine*)  
 liter  
 llthograf, -t; -ic, -y  
 lltta (*i = y*)  
 —llttered  
 llv, -d; -long  
 —llvend  
 —llverd



—liverid  
—loaft  
—loamd  
—loand  
—loathd  
loav, -d; -s  
—lobbid  
—lobd  
loc (*c = ch*)  
localize  
locativ  
—lockt  
locomotiv  
—lodg(d, -ment  
—log(d, -rold  
loggerhed, -s  
logo(graf, -tipe  
—loiterd  
lol (*l<sup>2</sup> = ll*)  
lollipop  
—longd  
longwize  
—lookt  
—loomd  
—loop(t, -hold (*d = ed*)  
—loosend  
—loost  
—lopt  
lorgnet  
los  
loth  
—loust  
—lowd  
—lowerd  
lu (loo)  
lucrativ  
luf, -t  
—lugd  
lul, -d  
—lumberd  
—lumpt  
—luncht  
lunet  
—lungd  
lup(ln (*or -ine*)  
—lureht  
—lurkt  
luster, -d  
ly- (*see li-*)

**M**

macadamize  
macaroni  
—mackld  
—maddend

mademoisel  
magnet(ize, -ograf  
—maild  
—malmd  
mainor  
mainprize  
—maintalnd  
maiz  
—malformd  
—mallgnd  
—malingerd  
malmsy  
malodor, -ous  
mama  
—manaeld  
—mand (*d = ned*)  
—mandamust  
mandolin  
mandril  
maneuver, -d  
—mangld  
manila  
maniplies (*i<sup>1</sup> = y*)  
manipulativ  
—mannerd  
—mantld  
manutip(c, -ed  
—mapt  
—marbld  
—marceld  
—marcht  
—mard  
margarin  
—margind  
marionet  
mark (marque)  
—markt  
marlin, -spike  
marmozet  
—maroond  
—marrid  
—marshal(d, -ing; -er  
martir, -d; -dom, -ize  
martirolog(y, -ie, -ist  
~ marvel(d, -ing; -ous  
mas, -t; -meeting  
masculin  
—masht  
mask, -erade  
massiv  
—masterd  
mastif  
matador  
—matcht  
matelote  
materialize

matronimie  
matronize  
—matterd  
maturativ  
mauger  
—mauld  
—maunderd  
mauv  
—mayd  
meager  
—meanderd  
mecanic, -al, -lan  
mecn(ism, -ist, -ize  
—medal(d, -ist, -ion  
—medldd  
mediativ  
medicativ  
medicin, -d  
medieval, -ism  
meditativ  
medly  
medow, -y; -sweet, *etc.*  
mefit(ic, -is, -ism  
megadine (*i = y*)  
megafone  
melancol(ia, -ic, -y  
melanoeroic  
melliorativ  
—mellowd  
—memberd  
memorialize  
menad  
—menast (*st = eed*)  
—ment (*c = ea*)  
—mentiond  
mercant(il (*or -ile*)  
mercerize  
merchandize  
mercurialize  
merri(make, -thought  
mes, -t; -mate  
mesencefal(on, -ic  
—mesht  
mesmerize  
mesur(e, -ed; -able  
metacenter  
metacro(nism, -sis  
metafor, -ic  
metafras(e, -t, -tle  
metafisic(s, -al, -ian  
—metal(d, -ing; -liferous,  
—ln, -ist, -ize,  
—ografy, -old  
metalurg(y, -ic, -ist  
metamorf(osis, -ic,  
—ism, -ize, -ose, -y

metempsychosis

meter, -d

methil, -ate, -ene, -ic

methodize

metonym(y, -ic

metrograf

—mettid

—mewd

—mewld

micel(ium, -ial (*i* = *y*)

micetozo(a, -an, -on

micolog(y, -ic -ist

microfon(e, -ic

micrograf, -ofone, -y

midrif

mif, -t

mignonet

mil, -stone, -wright, *etc.*

—mildewd

—milk

milli(gram, -liter, -meter

mimeograf, -t

—mimickt

mineralize

—mingld

minimize

—minisht

—ministerd

—minst (*st* = *ced*)miriad (*i* = *y*)

mirla(gram, -liter,

—meter, -pod, *etc.*

mirmidon

mirrh, -in

—mirrord

mirtle

mis- (*see note, "omitted  
forms."*)

mis, -t

miself (*i* = *y*)misoginy (*i* = *y*)

miss(il, -iv

mistagog (*i* = *y*)

mister(y, -lous

mistic, -ism

mistif(y, -ication

mistleto

mit (*t* = *tt*)

miter, -d, -ing

mith, -ic, -ical

mitholog(y, -ic, -ist

mitigativ

—mittend

—mixt

—mizzld

—moand

—mobd

mobil, -ize

—moccasind

—mockt

—model(d, -ing; -er

modernize

—moild

—moistend

mold, -ed, -ing

mold(y, -ier, -iest

molder, -d, -ing

molehil

molibd(ate, -enum

mollicoddle

molt, -ed, -ing

monacal (*c* = *ch*)

monarc, -al

monee(ia, -ian, -ious, -ism

monetize

mongoos

—monisht

monitiv

monk(y, -id; -ies, -yish

monocord (*c* = *ch*)

monocotiledon -ous

monocrom(e, -atic

monodactil, -ous

monograf, -ic, -y

—monogram(d, -ing;

-atic

monolog

monometalis(m, -t

monopolize

monosillab(le, -ic

monostic (*c* = *ch*)

monostrof(e, -ic

monotip(e, -ic

monox(id (or -ide)

mon(y, -id; -ler, -les

—moon(d, -rize

—moord

—mopt

moquet

moralize

morel

morf(ia, -in (or -ine)

morfolog(y, -ical, -ist

morfosis

morg

morgag(e, -ed; -ce, -or

—mortard

mortis, -t

mos, -capt, -hed, *etc.*

mosk (mosque)

—motherd

motil

—motiend

motiv

motl(y, -ies

motorciel(e, -d; -ist

—motord

—mottld

—mountaind

—mournd

—mousd

—mouth(d (or -t)

—mowd

—muck(t, -hil

—muddid

—muddld

mudsil

muf, -t

—muffld

—mugd

mul, -d

—mulcht

mullen

—mulliond

multi(fase, -ped,  
—plicativ, -valv

multigraf, -t, -ing

—mumbld

—mumd

—muncht

mur (*r* = *rr*)

—murderd

—murmurd

murr(y, -ies

mus, -t (*t* = *sed*)

musead(in (or -ine)

—museld

—musht

musical (musicale)

—muskt

mustach(e, -t

mustelin

—musterd

—mutinld

—mutterd

—muzzld

my- (*see mi-*)

myografy

## N

—nabd

nacel

naftha, -lene, -lin, -lizo

nafthol, -ize

—nagd

—nald

—napt

**narcotin**  
**nardin**  
**narrativ**  
**—narrowd**  
**nasofarinx**  
 nationalize  
**nativ**  
 naturalize  
**—naveld**  
**—neard**  
**—nebd**  
**—neckt**  
**neerofagous**  
**nectarin**  
**nefew**  
**nefo(logy, -scope**  
**nefrit(e, -lc, -ls**  
**nefroid**  
**negativ**  
 neighbor, -d; -hood  
**—neighd**  
**neodilum (i<sup>l</sup> = y)**  
**neofite**  
 neologize  
**nerv, -d; -in**  
**—nestld**  
**net (t = tt)**  
**—netld**  
 neutralize  
**nev(us, -l**  
**—nibld**  
**—nld**  
 nicknack  
**—nickt**  
 nicot(in (or -ine)  
**nlether (ie = ei, when so**  
*pronounst)*  
**—nigd**  
**—nlgld**  
**nil, -d**  
**nimf, -a, -al, -ean (i = y)**  
**nimfolep(sy, -t**  
**nimfomania, -c, -cal**  
**ninetifold**  
**—nippld**  
**—nipt**  
 niter  
**nitroglycerin**  
**—nolsd**  
**nominativ**  
**—noncommisslond**  
**noninductiv**  
 nonpartizan  
**—nonplus(t, -ing**  
**—noond**  
**—nonupld**

**—noost**  
**—nostrld**  
**—notcht**  
**—notlst (st = ced)**  
**notocord**  
**—nourisht**  
**novelet**  
**nowize**  
 nozl(e, -d  
**nubil**  
**—nudgd**  
**nul, -d**  
**num, -d, -ming; -skul**  
**—numberd**  
**nuncupativ**  
 nur (knur, nurr)  
 nurl, -d  
**nurserlman**  
**—nurs(t, -ling**  
**nutritiv**  
**—nuzzld**  
 ny- (see nl-)

O

**—oard**  
**—obeyd**  
**objectiv**  
**objurgativ**  
**observ, -d**  
**—obsest**  
**obstructiv**  
**—obtaind**  
**obtrusiv**  
**—occaslond**  
**—occurd**  
 ocher  
**octosyllab(le, -lc**  
**—octupld**  
**od, -s**  
 odor, -d; -iferous, -ous  
 offens(e, -lv  
**—offerd**  
**ofcleide**  
**ofidia, -n**  
**ofiology**  
**ofthalm(ia, -lc, -y**  
**ofthalmoscop(e, -lc, -y**  
**oger, -ish**  
**—ogld**  
**—old**  
 okra  
**oleograf**  
**oleomargar(in (or -ine)**  
**oligarc**  
**olimpl(c, -ad, -an,**

**oliv**  
 oliv(in (or -ine)  
 omber  
 omelet  
**—omend**  
**omfalos**  
**omisslv**  
**onlx**  
**onomatope(ia, -lc**  
**oosfere**  
**ooz, -d**  
 opake  
**—opal(d, -ln**  
**—opend**  
**operativ**  
 oph- (see of-)  
**opinionativ**  
**opposit**  
**—oppres(t, -slv**  
**—oppugnd**  
**optativ**  
**optofone**  
**—orbd**  
**—ordalnd**  
**—orderd**  
**orfan, -d; -age, -hood**  
 organdy  
 organize  
**organografy**  
**oriflam**  
**orlx, -es**  
**ornithografy**  
**ornithorhincus**  
**orofarinx**  
**orograf(y, -lc**  
 orris  
**orthofony**  
**orthograf(y, -er, -lc, -lst**  
 orthoped(ia, -ic, -y  
**ortlv**  
 oscin  
**ospr(y, -les**  
**ostensiv**  
**osteografy**  
 ostracize  
**otherwise**  
**oubllet**  
**ourselv**  
**out- (see note, "omitted**  
*forms.")*  
**over- (see note, "omitted**  
*forms.")*  
**—overwhelmd**  
**ov(in (or -ine)**  
**—owd**  
**—ownd**

ox(id (or -ide), -idize  
 oxigen, -ate, -ation, -ic,  
 -ize, -ous  
 oxigon, -al  
 oxihydrogen  
 oximel  
 oxitone  
 ozonize

## P

pachiderm, -afa, -ous  
 —pack(t, -thred  
 —paddid  
 —paddockt  
 —padlockt  
 paedo- (see pedo-)  
 pagent, -ry  
 —paind  
 —palrd  
 pajamas  
 palankeen  
 palat(in (or -ine)  
 —palaverd  
 —pald (*d = led*)  
 paleograf, -ic, -y  
 paleo(lithic, -logy,  
 -ntology, -zoic  
 palet  
 palfr(y, -ld; -les  
 palliativ  
 —palmd  
 palmiped  
 —palsid  
 —palterd  
 paludin  
 pamflet, -eer  
 —pamperd  
 —pand  
 pandemonium  
 —panderd  
 panegr(ic, -lst, -ize  
 —panel(d, -ing  
 —pannierd  
 —panoplid  
 pantalet, -s  
 panteenleon  
 pantelegraf, -y  
 pantograf, -ic, -y  
 —paperd  
 papirus  
 papoose  
 —parabld  
 paradlm (*m = gm*)  
 parafernalla  
 paraffin, -d

parafras(e, -is  
 parafrast, -ic  
 paragraf, -t; -er, -ic, -lst  
 parall(sis, -tle  
 paraliz(e, -ant  
 —parallel(d, -ing  
 parallelogramatic  
 paramorf, -ic, -ism,  
 -osis, -ous  
 paranimf, -al  
 —parboild  
 —parcel(d, -ing  
 —pareht  
 —pardond  
 parenchim(a, -atous, -e  
 parlisillable  
 —parkt  
 parlor  
 parl(y, -ld; -ies  
 —parodid  
 parol, -d, -ing  
 paronim, -ic, -ous  
 paroxlsm, -al, -ic  
 paroxitone  
 parquet  
 —parrid  
 parsly  
 —parst  
 particularize  
 —partitlond  
 partitiv  
 partizan, -ship  
 —partnerd  
 pas, -t; -over, -port, etc.  
 pascal  
 pasha, -lic  
 passerin  
 passiv  
 pastelist  
 pasteurize  
 pastil  
 —patcht  
 patriarc, -al, -ate  
 —patrol(d, -ing  
 patronim, -ic  
 patronize  
 —pattend  
 —patterd  
 —patternd  
 —pauper(d, -ize  
 —pavillond  
 pavonin  
 —pawd  
 —pawnd  
 —peacht  
 —peacockt

—peakt  
 —peald  
 pean  
 —pearld  
 peavy  
 —pebbld  
 —peckt  
 pedagog  
 —pedal(d, -ing  
 —peddld  
 pedler  
 pedo- (paedo-), etc.  
 —peekt  
 —peeld  
 —pcept  
 —peerd  
 peev, -d  
 —pegd  
 pejorativ  
 pel  
 peler(in (or -ine)  
 pel-mel  
 penalize  
 —penanst (*st = ced*)  
 —pencil(d, -ing  
 —pend  
 pendentiv  
 penetrativ  
 pennl(royal, -weight,  
 -wort, -worth  
 pennoncel  
 pensil (*l = lc*)  
 —penslond  
 pensiv  
 pentacord  
 pentateuc  
 —peopld  
 —pepperd  
 pepsin  
 perceptiv  
 —percht  
 percleiv, -d (*ie = et*)  
 —percus(t, -slv  
 peregrin  
 perfectiv  
 perforativ  
 —performd  
 perifer(y, -al, -ic  
 perifras(e, -ed; -ls, -tle  
 —peril(d, -ing  
 —perisht  
 peristile  
 —periwgd  
 —perkt  
 permeativ  
 permissiv

perox(id *or* -ide)  
 —perplex  
 perquisit  
 persecutiv  
 perspectiv  
 persuasiv  
 —pertaind  
 —perturbd  
 pervasiv  
 perversiv  
 pesant, -ry (*e* = *ea*)  
 —pesterd  
 —pestid  
 —petal(d, -in  
 —peterd  
 —petitiond  
 petrifactiv  
 petrogliſ, -ic  
 petrograf(y, -er, -ic  
 —pettifogd  
 —pewd  
 ph- (*see* **f**-)  
 phy- (*see* **fi**-)  
 piaster  
 plbroc  
 picanniny  
 —pickld  
 —pick(t, -ax  
 —picniet  
 picturesk  
 —piddld  
 —plerst (*st* = *ced*)  
 —plest (*st* = *ced*)  
 —pig(d, -taild  
 pigm(y, -can  
 pikestaf  
 pil, -d (*l* = *ll*)  
 pilaf  
 —pilasterd  
 —pilferd  
 —pilgrimd  
 —pillard  
 —pillond  
 —pillorid  
 —pillowd  
 pylon (*i* = *y*)  
 pilor(us, -ic  
 —plmpld  
 —pimpt  
 —pincht  
 —plnd (*d* = *ned*)  
 —plniond  
 —pinkt  
 —pinnacl  
 pinoce  
 —pioneerd

pipet  
 —pipt  
 piramid, -al, -ic  
 pire (*i* = *y*)  
 piretic  
 piriform  
 plrit(e, -es, -ic  
 pirograf, -y  
 piro(ligneous, -logy,  
     —maney, -meter,  
     —scope, -xilin  
 proteen(y, -ic, -ist  
 prouet  
 pirrhic  
 —pisht  
 —pistol(d, -ing  
 —pitch(t, -forkt  
 —pitht  
 pithon, -ess, -ic  
 —pitid (*d* = *ed*)  
 pix, -idium, -is  
 plagiarize  
 —plaind  
 plaintiff  
 plaintiv  
 planchet  
 —pland  
 planisphere  
 —planisht  
 —plankt  
 —plasht  
 —plasterd  
 —platformd  
 platipus  
 platirhin  
 plausiv  
 —play(d, -hil  
 —pleacht  
 —pleasd  
 —pled (*e* = *ea*)  
 —pledgd  
 —plenisht  
 plesance  
 pleasant, -ry  
 plesur(e, -ed  
 plow, -d  
 —pluckt  
 —plugd  
 plum, -d, -ming; -mer;  
     —bob, -line (*m* = *mb*)  
 plumped  
 —plumpt  
 —plunderd  
 —plunkt  
 pluralize  
 —pocht

poetize  
 —poisd  
 —poisond  
 polarize  
 —pold (*d* = *ed*)  
 —pold (*d* = *led*)  
 poli- (*poly*-), *etc.*  
 pollicrom(e, -ic, -y  
 polifase  
 polifemus  
 polifon(e, -ic, -ist, -y  
 poligam(y, -ist, -ous  
 pollginy (*i*<sup>1</sup> = *y*; *i*<sup>2</sup> = *y*)  
 poliglott  
 poligon, -al  
 poligraf, -ic, -y  
 polihedr(on, -al  
 polimorf, -ism, -ous, -ic  
 polinomial  
 polip, -i, -ous, -us  
 poli(petalous, -pod,  
     —sepalous, *etc.*  
 pollisillab(ie, -ic, -ism  
 pollisindeton  
 politecnic, -s  
 polithels(m, -t, -tic  
 —pollisht  
 poly- (*see* **poll**-)  
 —pommel(d, -ing  
 —ponderd  
 —pondid  
 pontif  
 —poohpoohd  
 —poold  
 —poopt  
 —poplard  
 poppicoek  
 —poppid  
 —poppid  
 —popt  
 popularize  
 porein  
 porfir(y, -itic  
 pornograf, -ic, -y  
 —portald  
 —portiond  
 —portrayd  
 —positiond  
 positiv  
 —posses(t, -siv  
 —postfixt  
 postilion  
 —potherd (*d* = *ed*)  
 —potterd  
 —poucht  
 poudret

- poultist (*st = ced*)  
 —pounst (*st = ced*)  
 —poured  
 —powderd  
 —powerd  
 —powwowd  
 practis, -t  
 —pralsd  
 —prankt  
 —pranst (*st = ced*)  
 praseodimium  
 —prattid  
 —prayd  
 pre- (*see note, "omitted forms."*)  
 —preacht  
 precativ  
 preceptiv  
 —precipist (*st = ced*)  
 preclusiv  
 precursiv  
 predial  
 predictiv  
 preemptiv  
 —preend (*d = ed*)  
 —prefast (*st = ced*)  
 prefect  
 —preferd  
 prehensl  
 —prejudist (*st = ced*)  
 prelusiv  
 premeditativ  
 premis  
 premize  
 prenomem  
 —prentist (*st = ced*)  
 preparativ  
 prepensiv  
 prepositiv  
 —prepossest  
 prepostor  
 preraffaelit(e, -ism)  
 prerogativ  
 pres, -t; -man, *etc.*  
 presbiter, -ial, -y  
 presbiterian, -ism  
 prescriptiv  
 preserv, -d; -ativ  
 presumptiv  
 pretens(e, -t  
 preterit, -ion, -iv  
 preter(mit, -mission  
 preternatural, -ism  
 pretor, -ial, -ian, -ship  
 —prevalld  
 preventiv  
 previz(e, -ion  
 —preyd  
 —prickt  
 —prigd  
 —primd (*d = med*)  
 primeval  
 primitiv  
 —principld  
 —pringld  
 —prinkt  
 —prisond  
 pristin  
 privativ  
 probativ  
 proced(e, -ed, -ing; -s  
 —procest  
 —proclaimd  
 procrastinativ  
 procreativ  
 product(ill, -iv  
 prophecy  
 —profest  
 profes(y, -led; -ler  
 profet, -ess, -ic  
 —profferd  
 proflaetic  
 program, -d, -ing; -atic,  
 —er, -ist  
 —progres(t, -siv  
 prohibitiv  
 projectil  
 —prolapst  
 prolog  
 —prolongd  
 promis, -t  
 promotiv  
 —prongd  
 —pronounst (*st = ced*)  
 propagativ  
 —propeld  
 —propertid  
 —proportiond  
 —propt  
 propulsiv  
 proscriptiv  
 proselit(e, -ism, -ize  
 prospectiv  
 —prosperd  
 protectiv  
 proteoll(sis, -tic  
 protomartir  
 prototip(e, -al, -ic  
 protractiv  
 protrus(ill, -iv  
 —provisiold  
 provocativ  
 —prowld  
 —psalmd  
 pseudomorf, -ism, -ous  
 pseudonim, -ous  
 —pshawd  
 psicaglia  
 psichic, -al  
 psicofis(ic, -ology  
 psicolog(y, -ic, -ical, -ist  
 psicopath, -ic, -ist,  
 —ology, -y  
 psicosis  
 psy- (*see psi-*)  
 pteridofit(a, -e, -ic  
 pterodactil  
 ptomain  
 —publisht  
 —puckerd  
 —puddld  
 pueril  
 puf, -t; -ball  
 —pugd  
 pulcritude  
 —puld (*d = led*)  
 pull(y, -ies  
 —pulpt  
 pulsat(ill, -iv  
 —pulst  
 pulverize  
 —pummel(d, -ing  
 —pumpt  
 —puncht  
 —pund (*d = ned*)  
 —punisht  
 punitiv  
 —pupt  
 pur, -d  
 —purchast  
 —purfid  
 purgativ  
 purificativ  
 —purld  
 purlin  
 —purlind  
 —purpld  
 —purpos(t, -iv  
 —purst  
 —purveyd  
 —pusht  
 put (*t = tt*)  
 putativ  
 putrefactiv  
 —putterd  
 —puttid  
 —puzzld  
 py- (*see pi-*)

**Q**

—quackt  
quadri  
quadrisillab(le, -ic  
—quadrupl  
quaf, -t  
—quaild  
qualitativ  
quantitativ  
—quarrel(d, -ing; -er  
—quarrid  
—quarterd  
quartet  
—quasht  
—quaverd  
—queend  
—queerd  
qucl, -d  
—quencht  
quercin  
—querid  
—questiond  
questor  
—quibbld  
—quickend  
—quickt  
quill, -d; -wort, etc.  
quin(in (or -ine)  
quintet  
quintil (l = le)  
—quintupld  
—quipt  
quire (choir)  
—quirkt  
—quiverd  
—quizd

**R**

rabdomancy (r = rh)  
racket (racquet)  
—racket  
raccoon  
—raddld  
radiativ  
radioactiv  
radiograf, -t; -ic, -y  
radiotele(graf, -fone  
raf  
—ratfld  
—ragd  
—ralld  
—ralnd  
—raisd  
raja

—rallid  
—rambld  
—ramd  
ramekin  
—rampt  
rancor, -ous  
—rankld  
—rankt  
—ransackt  
—ransomd  
rapin  
rapsod(y, -ic, -lst, -ize  
—rapt  
—rasht  
—raspt  
ratan, -d  
—ratcht  
—rationd  
ratlin  
—rattl(d, -ehed  
—ravel(d, -ing  
—ravend  
—ravisht  
—rayd  
raz(e, -ure  
re- (see note, "omitted  
forms.")  
rea, -gras  
—reacht  
realize  
—reamd  
—reapt  
—reard  
—reasond  
reav, -d  
—rebeld  
rebuf, -t  
reeapitulativ  
receptiv  
—reces(t, -siv  
reclet (receipt)  
reclev, -d; -ership  
reciprocativ  
—reckond  
—reckt  
recogniz(e, -ance, -ce, -or }  
—recoild  
—recompenst  
recond(it (or -ite)  
reconnoiter, -d  
—recoupt  
—recoverd  
recreativ  
recuperativ  
—recurd  
red (e = ea)

—reddend  
—redcemd  
redemptiv  
redout  
redout(able, -ed  
—redrest  
reductiv  
red(y, -lly, -iness (e = ea)  
—reeft  
—reekt  
—reeld  
reev, -d  
reflectiv  
—referd  
reflectiv  
—reflex(t, -iv  
—reform(d, -ativ  
refractiv  
—refraind  
refrigerativ  
—registerd  
—regres(t, -siv  
regulativ  
—rehearst  
—reignd  
—reind  
—rejoist  
relativ  
—relax(t, -ativ  
—relayd  
—releast  
rellev, -d  
—relinquisht  
—relisht  
relm (e = ea)  
—remaind  
—remarkt  
—remedid  
—rememberd  
remonstrativ  
remunerativ  
—rencounterd  
—renderd  
—renewd  
—renlgt  
—renounst (st = ced)  
—renownd  
reo(meter, -scope, -stat  
—repaird  
reparativ  
—repeald  
—repeld  
—replenisht  
repletiv  
—replevid  
—replevind

reprehensiv  
 representativ  
 —repres(t, -siv  
 reprieve, -d  
 repriz(e, -al  
 —reproach  
 reprobativ  
 reptil  
 repudiativ  
 —repuls(t, -iv  
 requisit  
 —requisitiond  
 —resembl  
 reserv, -d  
 —resign  
 resistiv  
 resolv, -d  
 resorptiv  
 respectiv  
 respit  
 responsiv  
 restiv  
 restorativ  
 —restraind  
 restrictiv  
 resumptiv  
 resus (*r = rh*)  
 resuscitativ  
 —retaild  
 —retaind  
 retaliativ  
 retardativ  
 —retch  
 retentiv  
 rhetoric, -al, -ian  
 retract(ile, -iv  
 —retrencht  
 retributiv  
 retrieve, -d  
 retro(activ, -flect, -gressiv, -spectiv  
 —returnd  
 reum, -a, -y (*r = rh*)  
 reumat(ism, -ic  
 —revamp  
 —reveald  
 —revel(d, -ing; -er  
 reverberativ  
 —reverenst (*st = ccd*)  
 —reverst  
 revertiv  
 revery  
 reviz(e, -al, -er, -ion, -or, -ory  
 revolutionize  
 revol, -d

revulsiv  
 rh- (*see r-*)  
 —ribd  
 —ribbon  
 —rickt  
 —ricochet(ed, -ing  
 —riddld  
 —ridgd  
 —riffld  
 —rifld  
 rifraf  
 —rigd  
 rigor, -ous  
 ril, -d  
 —rimd  
 rim(e, -ed; -ester, -ist  
 —rimpld  
 rinestone  
 —ringd  
 rinitis  
 rinoceros, -es  
 rinoplast(y, -ic  
 —rinst (*st = ccd*)  
 —rippld  
 —ript  
 —riskt  
 rithm, -ic  
 —rival(d, -ing  
 —rivet(ed, -ing; -er  
 riz(e, -en, -ing  
 rizom(e, -a  
 ro, -es, -buck (*o = oc*)  
 —roacht  
 —roamd  
 —roard  
 —robd  
 —rockt  
 rodium  
 rododendron  
 —roild  
 —rold (*ld = led*)  
 rollic, -t  
 —romaustr (*st = ccd*)  
 romb, -ic, -oid, -us  
 rombohedr(on, -al, -oid  
 —rompt  
 —roof  
 —rookt  
 —roomd  
 roset  
 —rosind  
 rotativ  
 roulet  
 —rousd  
 —rowd  
 —rowel(d, -ing

rubarb  
 —rubberd  
 —rubd  
 —rubld  
 —rubriet  
 rud  
 —ruddld  
 ruf, -t, -fing; -fer, -fest;  
 —shod, *etc.* (*uf = ough*)  
 ruf, -t (*f = ff*)  
 ruffen, -d, -ing  
 —ruffld  
 —ruind  
 rum, -line (*r = rh; m = mb*)  
 —rumld  
 ruminativ  
 rumor, -d  
 —rumpld  
 —rump  
 rus (*r = rh*)  
 —rusht  
 —rustld  
 rhyolite

## S

saber, -d  
 saccarif(y, -erous, -ication  
 saccar(in, -imeter, -oid  
 sack (sacque)  
 —sack  
 —saddend  
 —saddl(d, -ebackt  
 saffir(e, -in  
 —sagd  
 —saild  
 salam, -d, -ming  
 —salarid  
 saliclic  
 —sallid (*ld = ed*)  
 saltpeter  
 salv, -d  
 samfire  
 —samlp  
 sanativ  
 —sanctiond  
 —sandald  
 —sandwich  
 sanguin, -d  
 sansculot  
 santolin  
 saprofit(e, -ic  
 —sapt  
 sarcophagus  
 sard(in (*or -ine*)



**sardonix**  
 —**sasht**  
**satir, -ic** (*i = y*)  
 satirize  
**saturn(in)** (*or -ine*)  
 —**saunterd**  
 —**saust** (*st = ced*)  
 savanna  
 savior  
 savor, **-d; -y**  
 —**saw(d, -mil**  
**saxofone**  
*se-* (*pronounst s, see S-*)  
 —**scabd**  
**scafold**  
 scalawag  
 —**scald** (*d = led*)  
 —**scallopt**  
 —**scalpt**  
 —**scamperd**  
 —**scampt**  
 —**scand**  
 scandalize  
 —**scard**  
 —**scarft**  
 —**scarpt**  
 —**scatterd**  
**sclerenchima** (*i = y*)  
**seof, -t**  
**scolar, -ship**  
**scolastic, -ism**  
**scoliast, -ic**  
 —**seconst** (*st = ced*)  
**seool, -d; -book, -house,**  
     **-mate, -room, etc.**  
**seooner**  
 —**seoopt**  
 —**seorcht**  
 —**seornd**  
 —**seotcht**  
**seotograf**  
 —**scourd**  
 —**scowld**  
 —**scrabldd**  
 —**scramblld**  
 —**scrapt**  
 —**scratcht**  
 —**scrawld**  
 —**screakt**  
 —**screamd**  
 —**screecht**  
 —**screend**  
 —**screwld**  
 —**scribbld**  
 —**scrimpt**  
 —**scrold** (*d = led*)

—**scrubd**  
**scruf**  
 —**scrupld**  
 scrutinize  
**seuf, -t**  
 —**scuffld**  
**seul, -d**  
 —**sculpt**  
 —**scumbld**  
 —**scumd**  
 —**scurrid**  
**scurril**  
 —**seutcht**  
 —**scutld**  
 —**seald**  
 —**seamd**  
 —**searcht**  
 —**seard**  
 —**seasond**  
**seclusiv**  
**secretiv**  
**sectil**  
 —**sectiond**  
 secularize  
**sedativ**  
**seductiv**  
 —**seeld** (*d = cd*)  
 —**seemd**  
 —**seept**  
 —**seesawd**  
 —**seethd**  
**segregativ**  
 —**seind**  
**seismograf, -ic, -y**  
**sel** (*l = ll*)  
**selectiv**  
**selenograf(y, -er, -ic**  
**selvs**  
**semafor(e, -ic**  
 —**semidetacht**  
**send, -ed** (*s = sc*)  
**sen(e, -ery, -ic** (*s = sc*)  
**sen(il)** (*or -ile*)  
**sensitiv**  
 —**senst**  
 sensualize  
**sent, -ed** (*s = sc*)  
 —**sentenst**  
 sentimentalize  
 —**sentinel(d, -ing**  
**separativ**  
 septet  
**septer, -d**  
 septicem(ia, **-ic**  
 —**septupld**  
 sepulcher, **-d**

**sepuleral**  
 —**sequesterd**  
**seraf, -ic, -im**  
**serafine**  
**sergen(t, -cy**  
 sermonize  
**serpent(in)** (*or -ine*)  
 —**serrid**  
**serv, -d**  
**servlet**  
**serv(il)** (*or -ile*)  
**sessil**  
 set (*t = tl*)  
 —**settld**  
**seventifold**  
 —**severd**  
 —**sewd**  
 —**sewerd**  
 sextet  
**sextil**  
 —**sextupld**  
**sfalerite**  
**sfenoid**  
**sfer(e, -ed; -oid, -oidal,**  
     **-ular, -ule**  
**sferic, -al, -ity, -s**  
**sfigmo(graf, -gram,**  
**sfigm(us, -ic, -oid**  
**sfincter**  
**sfinx, -es**  
**sfragistics**  
 —**shackld**  
 —**shadow(d, -graf**  
 —**shagd**  
**shal** (*l = ll*)  
 —**shallowd**  
 —**shambld**  
 —**shamd** (*d = mcd*)  
 shammy (chamois)  
 —**shampooed**  
 —**shankt**  
 —**sharkt**  
 —**sharpnd**  
 —**sharp**  
 —**shatterd**  
 —**shawld**  
 —**sheaft**  
 —**sheard**  
 —**sheath(d)** (*or -t*)  
**sheav, -d; -s**  
 —**sheerd**  
**shel, -d; -bark, -fish, etc.**  
 shellac, **-t**  
 —**shelterd**  
**shelv, -d; -s**  
**sherif, -alty, -dom, etc.**

shi(ly, -ness  
 —shimmerd  
 —shind (*d = ned*)  
 —shingld  
 shinn(y, -ld  
 —ship(t, -wreckt  
 shir, -d  
 —shirkt  
 shist, -ose (*s = sc*)  
 shister (*i = y*)  
 —shiverd  
 —shoald  
 —shock(t, -hed  
 sholder, -d; -blade, *etc.*  
 —shood (*d = ed*)  
 —shopt  
 shorl (*s = sc*)  
 —shortend  
 shottish (*s = sc*)  
 —shovel(d, -ing; -er  
 —show(d, -bil, -bred  
 —showerd  
 —shrieckt  
 shrill, -d  
 —shrivel(d, -ing  
 —shrugd  
 —shuckt  
 —shudderd  
 —shuffld  
 —shund  
 —shutterd  
 static, -a (*s = sc*)  
 sibarit(e, -ic (*i<sup>1</sup> = y*)  
 sibil, -ic, -in (*or -ine*)  
 steamore  
 siccativ  
 sicee (*i = y*)  
 —sickend  
 sleofan(t, -cy, -tie, -tish  
 siderograf, -ic, -ist, -y  
 —side(trackt, -wize  
 —sidd  
 siegnlor, -age, -y (*ie = ei*)  
 sien(ce, -tial, -tific, -tist  
 siez, -d; -in, -ure  
 sifill(s, -tic  
 sifon, -d; -age, -ofore  
 —sighd  
 —signal(d, -ing; -er, -ize  
 —signd  
 significantiv  
 sil, -d  
 —silenst (*st = ced*)  
 silf, -ld, -like  
 silhouet  
 sillabary

sillabicat(e, -lon  
 sillabif(y, -ication  
 sillab(ie, -ld; -ic, -ize  
 sillabub (*i = y*)  
 sillabus  
 sillog(ism, -istic, -ize  
 silv(a, -æ (*or -as, pl.*), -n  
 —silverd  
 simbio(sis, -tic  
 simbol, -d; -ic, -ism,  
     -ist, -istic, -ize, -ogy  
 simfon(y, -ic, -ious  
 simitar, -d  
 simlin (cymlin)  
 —slimmerd  
 simmetr(y, -ic, -iclan,  
     -ist, -ize  
 simpath(y, -etic, -ize  
 —simperd  
 simpos(um, -ac  
 simptom, -atic  
 sinagog, -al, -ical  
 sinalefa  
 sinclinal  
 sineopat(e, -lon  
 sineop(e, -al, -ic  
 sineron(ism, -al, -ic,  
     -ize, -ous  
 —sind (*d = ned*)  
 sindic  
 sindicatis(m, -t  
 sindicat(e, -lon  
 sinecdoch(e, -ical  
 sinerests  
 —sinewd  
 —singld  
 sinod, -al, -ic  
 sinolog  
 sinonim, -ic, -ist, -lty,  
     -ize, -ous, -y  
 sinop(sis, -tic  
 sinovia, -l  
 sinta(x, -ctic  
 sinthe(sis, -size, -tic  
 sintilla, -nt, -te, -tion  
 siolis(m, -t, -tic (*s = sc*)  
 sion (*s = sc*)  
 —sipt  
 siren (*i = y*)  
 siringa  
 siring(e, -ed  
 sirinx  
 sirra  
 sirrhus (*s = sc*)  
 sirup, -y  
 sis, -t (*s<sup>2</sup> = ss*)

sissel (*s<sup>1</sup> = sc*)  
 sission  
 sissors  
 sissure  
 sistem, -atic, -atize  
 sistol(e, -ic  
 sithe (*s = sc; i = y*)  
 slv, -d (sieve)  
 sixtifold  
 siz, -d  
 sizig(y, -etic  
 —sizzld  
 —sketcht  
 —skewd  
 —skewerd  
 skiagraf, -y  
 skif  
 skil, -d; -ful  
 skilark, -t (*i = y*)  
 ski(light, -sail, -scraper,  
     -ward, *etc.*  
 —sklmd  
 —skimpt  
 —skind  
 —skipt  
 —skirmisht  
 skul, -d; -cap  
 —skulkt  
 —skunkt  
 —slabberd  
 —slabd  
 —slackend  
 —slackt  
 —slamd  
 —slanderd  
 —slangd  
 —slapt  
 —slasht  
 —slaughterd  
 —slavard  
 sleav, -d  
 —sleeckt  
 sleev, -d  
 —sleighd  
 —sleutht  
 —sliect  
 slight (sleight)  
 sli(ly, -ness  
 —slipperd  
 —slipt  
 —sliverd  
 slo, -es (*o = oe*)  
 —slobberd  
 slold (*i = y*)  
 —slopt  
 —slosht

—sloucht  
—slowd  
sluf, -t, -fing; -fy  
—slugd  
—sluist (*st = ced*)  
—slumberd  
—slumd  
—slumprt  
—slurd  
—slusht  
—smackt  
—smartend  
—smasht  
—smattered  
—smeard  
smel, -d (*or -t*)  
—smircht  
—smirkt  
—smitht  
—smockt  
smolder, -d  
—smoocht  
—smoothd  
—smotherd  
—smudgd  
—smuggld  
—smutcht  
—snaffld  
—snagd  
—snapt  
—snarld  
—snatcht  
—sneakt  
—sneerd  
sneez, -d  
snel  
—snickerd  
—snickt  
snif, -t  
—sniggerd  
—sniggld  
—snlpt  
—snivel(d, -ing; -er)  
—snoopt  
snooz, -d  
—snow(d, -plow  
—snubd  
snuf, -t; -box, *etc.*  
—snuffld  
—snugd  
—snuggld  
—soakt  
—soapt  
—soard  
—sobd  
—soberd

sobriquet  
socialize  
—socket  
—soddend  
solfism (*f = ph*)  
solfist, -er, -ic; -ry  
solfistieat(e, -ion, -or  
solfomor(e, -ic  
—softend  
—sollid  
—sojournd  
—solast (*st = ced*)  
—sold (*d = ed*)  
—solderd  
—soldierd  
solecize  
solemnize  
soliloquize  
solmizat(e, -ion  
solfativ  
solv, -d  
somber  
sooth, -d  
—sopt  
sorgum (*sorghum*)  
—sorrowd  
soubret  
—sould  
—sourd  
—soust  
—southt  
sovren, -ty  
—sowd  
spagetti  
—spald (*d = led*)  
—spand  
—spangld  
—spankt  
—spard (*d = red*)  
—sparkt  
—spatterd  
—spavind  
—spawnd  
—spayd  
—speard  
specialize  
—speckld  
—speckt  
—spectacl  
specter  
speculativ  
spel, -d (*or -t*); -bind  
spermatofit(e, -le  
—spewd  
sph- (*see sf*-)  
spigoty

spil, -d (*or -t*)  
—spindl(d, -elegd, *etc.*  
spiny  
spiritualize  
spirituel  
—splasht  
—splatterd  
—splayd  
splendor  
—splinterd  
—splotcht  
—splutterd  
—spoil(d (*or -t*)  
spondl? (*i = y*)  
—spoold  
—spoon(d, -bil, -bild  
sportiv  
—spraind  
—sprawld  
—sprayd  
spred, -ing; -er (*e = ea*)  
—sprigld  
—sprinkld  
sprite, -ly  
—spunkt  
—spurd  
—spurnd  
—sputterd  
—squabld  
—squald (*d = led*)  
—squanderd  
—squasht  
—squawkt  
—squeakt  
—squeald  
squeeze, -d  
—squelcht  
—squibld  
squill  
—squirmld  
—stabd  
stabilize  
—stabld  
—stabilisht  
—stackt  
staf  
—staggerd  
—staid  
—staland  
—stald (*d = led*)  
—stalkt  
—stammerd  
—stampt  
stanch, -t; -er, -est  
—stanchlond  
standardize

- stapld  
 —starcht  
 —stard  
 —startld  
 starv, -d; -ling  
 —stationd  
 statuet  
 —steamd  
 stearin  
 sted, -ed, -ing; -fast  
 sted(y, -ld, -ying; -ier,  
     -iest, -ily, -iness  
 —steeld  
 —steepld  
 —steepd  
 —steerd  
 stelth, -y  
 —stemd  
 —stencil(d, -ing; -er  
 stenograf, -er, -ic, -y  
 —stept  
 stereograf, -ic, -y  
 stereotip(e, -ic, -ist, -y  
 steril, -ize  
 —sternd  
 sternutativ  
 —stewd  
 stic (*c = ch*)  
 —stickld  
 stif, -backt, -neckt, *etc.*  
 —stiffend  
 —stifld  
 stigmatize  
 stil, -d; -born, *etc.*  
 stil(e, -ar, -et, -iform,  
     -oid, -ometer, -us  
 stil(e, -ed, -ing  
 stil(e, -ish, -ist, -istic  
 stillograf, -ic, -y  
 stim(ic, -ld, -ying  
 stimulativ  
 —stippld  
 stiptic, -ity  
 —stird  
 —stitcht  
 —stockt  
 —stold (*d = ed*)  
 stomach, -t  
 —stoold  
 —stoopt  
 —stopperd  
 —stoppld  
 —stopt  
 —storid  
 —stormd  
 —stowd  
 —straddld  
 —straggld  
 —straightend  
 —straind  
 —straitend  
 —strangld  
 —strapt  
 stratigraf(y, -ic  
 —strayd  
 —streakt  
 —streamd  
 —strengthen  
 stres, -t  
 —stretcht  
 —strewd  
 stricn(la, -in (*or -ine*)  
 —stringd  
 —stript  
 strob(II (*or -ile*)  
 strof(e, -ic  
 —stroid (*d = led*)  
 —stropt  
 —strowd  
 —struggld  
 —strumd  
 —stubd  
 —studld  
 stuf, -t  
 —stumbld  
 —stumd  
 —stumpt  
 —stund  
 stupefactiv  
 —stutterd  
 suasiv  
 subhed, -ed, -ing (*e = ca*)  
 subjectiv  
 —subjoind  
 subjunctiv  
 —subleast  
 —submerst  
 submissiv  
 —subornd  
 subpena, -ed, -ing  
 subserv, -d  
 subsidize  
 —subsoild  
 substantiv  
 subsumptiv  
 subtil (*or suttil*)  
 —subtitld  
 subtractiv  
 subtresur(y, -er  
 subversiv  
 succeed(e, -ed, -ing  
 successiv  
 succor, -d  
 succum, -d, -ming  
 —succus(t, -siv  
 —suckld  
 —suckt  
 sud (*d = dd*)  
 suf, -t, -fing (*uf = ough*)  
 —sufferd  
 —suffixt  
 suffocativ  
 suffraget  
 —sugard  
 suggestiv  
 sulfate  
 sulf(id (*or -ide*)  
 sulfohydrate  
 sulfur, -ate, -ation,  
     -cous, -ic, -ous, -y  
 sulfuret, -ed, -ing  
 —sulkt  
 sumac  
 —sumd  
 summarize  
 —summerd  
 —summond  
 —sunburn(d (*or -t*)  
 —sun(d, -rize  
 —sunderd  
 super(ad, -calenderd,  
     -drednaught,  
     -endowd, -fluxt,  
     -sensitiv  
 superlativ  
 superviz(e, -al, -ion,  
     -or, -ory  
 —suppld  
 suppletiv  
 suppositiv  
 —suppres(t, -siv  
 suppurativ  
 —supt  
 —surecast  
 —sureingld  
 suretiship  
 —surfata (*st = ced*)  
 surmize  
 surname  
 —surpast  
 —surplst (*st = ced*)  
 surpriz(e, -al  
 —surrenderd  
 surr(y, -ies  
 —surtaxt  
 —surveyd  
 susceptiv  
 suspensiv

—sustalnd  
 suttl (or subtl), -ism,  
     -ity, -ize, -ty  
 suttl(e, -ety, -y  
 —swabdd  
 —swaddld  
 —swagd  
 —swaggerd  
 —swallowd  
 —swampt  
 —swapt  
 —swarmd  
 —swasht  
 —swathd  
 —swayd  
 —sweetend  
 swel, -d; -flsh  
 —swelterd  
 swerv, -d  
 swet, -ed, -ing; -er, -y  
 —swigd  
 swll, -d  
 —swindld  
 —swingld  
 —swlrld  
 —swisht  
 —switcht  
 —swivel(d, -ing  
 —swoond  
 —swoopt  
 sy- (see sl-)

**T**

—tabd  
 —tabld  
 tabor, -ine  
 taboret  
 tabu  
 tachigraf, -er, -y  
 —tackld  
 —tacktd  
 tact(ill (or -ile)  
 —tagd  
 —taild  
 —tallord  
 —talk(t, -ativ  
 —tall(d, -man  
 —tallowd  
 —talond  
 tamarac  
 —tamperd  
 —tampt  
 —tand  
 —tangd  
 —tangld  
 —tankt

tantalize  
 —taperd  
 —tapestrld  
 —tapt  
 —tard  
 tarif, -t  
 —tarnisht  
 —tarrid  
 —taskt  
 —tassel(d, -ing  
 —tatterd  
 —tattld  
 —tattoo  
 taurin  
 —tautend  
 tautologize  
 —tawd  
 —taxt  
 —teamd  
 —teasd  
 teazel  
 tecnic, -al, -ality, -lan  
 tecnic (or technique)  
 teenolog(y, -ic, -ist  
 —teemd  
 —teeterd  
 —teethd  
 tel, -tale  
 telautograf  
 telefon(e, -ed; -ic, -y  
 telegraf, -t; -er, -ic, -y  
 telegraf(one, -oscope  
 telefot(e, -o  
 telefotograf, -ic, -y  
 telfer, -age  
 —temperd  
 —templd  
 temporize  
 —tenderd  
 tenia  
 —tenond  
 tenor  
 tensll  
 —tenst  
 —tentacld  
 tentativ  
 —tenterd  
 teraf, -im  
 tereblnthln  
 —termd  
 terminativ  
 —terrast (st = ced)  
 terrorize  
 —tetherd  
 tetracord, -pillon,  
     -sillable, -stile

tetrare  
 textil  
 thalloft(a, -c, -ic  
 —thankt  
 —thatcht  
 —thawd  
 theater  
 thein  
 themselves  
 theofany  
 theolog, -ize  
 theomorfic  
 theorize  
 theosof(y, -ic, -ism, -ist  
 thermodynamlc, -al, -s  
 thermograf  
 —thewd  
 —thickend  
 thlev, -d; -s  
 thil  
 thim(e, -ous, -y (i = y)  
 thimus  
 —thind  
 thirold  
 thirsus  
 thirtifold  
 tho  
 —thornd  
 thoro, -ly, -ness; -base,  
     -bred, -fare, -going,  
     -wort, etc.  
 —thral(d, -dom  
 —thrapd  
 —thrasht  
 thred, -ed, -ing; -er,  
     -like, -y; -bare, etc.  
 —thresht  
 thret  
 threten, -d, -ing; -er  
 thrill, -d  
 thro, -es (o = oe)  
 —throbd  
 —throngd  
 —throttld  
 thru, -out  
 —thrumd  
 thum, -d, -ming (m = mb)  
 —thumprt  
 —thunderd  
 —thwackt  
 —tickld  
 —tictt  
 tieoon (i = y)  
 —tidld  
 —tierd  
 tif, -t

- tlfo**on (*i = y; f = ph*)  
**tlf**(us, -old, -ous  
 —**tightend**  
**tlgrin**  
**tike**  
**til**, -d  
 —**tillerd**  
 —**tlmberd**  
**timpan**, -lc, -um  
 —**tind** (*d = ned*)  
 —**tingld**  
 —**tlmkerd**  
 —**tlmkld**  
 —**tlmkt**  
 —**tlmsel**(d, -ing  
**tip**(e, -ed, -ing; -lst  
**tipewrit**(e, -er, -lst  
**tipl**(cal, -fy  
**tipograp**, -er, -lc, -y  
 —**tlppld**  
**tipstaf**, -s  
 —**tipt**  
**tipto**, -ed, -ing; -es  
**tiran**(t, -lc, -leide, -ize,  
     -ous, -y  
**tlro**  
**tlslc**, -al, -ky  
**tlsls**  
**tltillativ**  
 —**tltlld**  
 —**tlttrerd**  
**to**, -ed, -ing; -es (*o = oc*)  
 —**toadd**  
 —**toboggand**  
 —**toddl**  
**tof**(us, -l  
 —**togd**  
 —**toggld**  
 —**told**  
 —**tokend**  
 —**told** (*d = ed*)  
 —**told** (*d = led*)  
 —**tomahawkt**  
**tomally**  
 —**tombd**  
**tonsillitis**  
 —**toold**  
 —**tooth**(t, -ake  
**topograp**(y, -er, -lc  
 —**toppld**  
**topsiturv**  
 —**topt**  
**tort**(ll, -lv  
**tos**, -t; -pot, -up  
 —**total**(d, -ing  
 —**totterd**
- tourd**  
**tourmalin**  
**tourn**(y, -les  
 —**tousld**  
 —**towd**  
 —**towel**(d, -ing  
 —**towerd**  
**toxem**(ia, -ic  
**toxin**  
 —**toyd**  
**tracht**(e, -lc, -old  
 —**trackt**  
**tract**(ll, -lv  
 —**traffict**  
**tragedien**  
 —**tralld**  
 —**traln**d  
 —**trammel**(d, -ing; -er  
 —**trampld**  
 —**trampt**  
**tranquelize**  
**transalpin**  
**transcriptiv**  
 —**transfer**(d, -ing; -able,  
     -ability, -al, -ee, -er,  
     -erence, -or  
 —**transfixt**  
 —**transform**(d, -ativ  
**transfusiv**  
 —**transgres**(t, -siv  
**tranship**, -t, -ping; -ment  
**transitiv**  
**transmissiv**  
**transmutativ**  
 —**transpierst** (*st = ced*)  
 —**transt** (*st = ced*)  
 —**trapt**  
 —**trasht**  
 —**travalld**  
 —**travel**(d, -ing; -er, -og  
 —**traverst**  
 —**travestld**  
 —**trawld**  
**treatis**  
 —**trebld**  
**trecher**(y, -ous  
**tred**, -ing; -er; -mll  
**tredl**(e, -d  
**treffn**(e, -ed  
 —**trekt**  
 —**trellist**  
 —**trembld**  
 —**trencht**  
 —**trepend**  
**tres**, -t  
 —**trespast**
- trestld**  
**tresur**(e, -ed; -er, -y  
 —**triangld**  
**tribrac**  
**triclel**(e, -d; -lst  
 —**trickld**  
 —**trickt**  
**tricolor**, -d  
**trleord** (*c = ch*)  
**tricotomy**  
 —**trllld**  
 —**triformd**  
**trifthong**, -al  
 —**trlgd**  
**triglif**  
**trigraf**  
**trll**, -d  
 —**trlmd**  
 —**trlpld**  
 —**tript**  
**triptic** (*i<sup>2</sup> = y; c = ch*)  
**trlsall** (*i<sup>1</sup> = y*)  
**trlsillab**(le, -lc  
**trlst** (*i = y*)  
**trisulf**(id (*or* -ide)  
**triumf**, -t; -al, -ant  
**trivalv**  
**trocale**, -al  
**troclea**, -r  
**trocoid**  
**trof**, -t (*of = ough*)  
**trof**(y, -ld  
**trogldlt**(e, -lc  
 —**trold** (*d = led*)  
**troll**(y, -ld; -les  
 —**troopt**  
**tropofilous**  
**tropofit**(e, -ic  
 —**trotht**  
 —**troubld**  
 —**trounst** (*st = ced*)  
**trouser**(s, -d  
 —**trowd**  
 —**trowel**(d, -ing  
 —**truckld**  
 —**truckt**  
 —**trudgd**  
 —**trullld**  
 —**trumpt**  
 —**trundld**  
 —**trunkt**  
**trus**, -t (*t<sup>2</sup> = sed*)  
 —**tubd**  
 —**tubercld**  
**tuch**, -t; -y; -stone, etc.  
 —**tuckerd**

—tuckt  
**tuf** (*f=ff*)  
**tuf, -fer, -fest** (*uf=ough*)  
**tuffen, -d, -ing**  
 —tugd  
 —tumbld  
 tumor  
 —tund  
**tung, -d; -tied**  
 —tunnel(**d, -ing; -er**)  
 —turband  
**turb(in** (*or -ine*)  
 —turft  
**turk(y, -ies**  
 turmal(**in** (*or -ine*)  
 —turmolld  
 —turnd  
 turquois  
 —tusht  
 —tuskt  
 —tussld  
 —tutord  
 —tuwthood  
 —twaddld  
 —twangd  
 —tweakt  
 —tweedld  
 tweeze  
 twelv, -month  
 twentifld  
 —twiddld  
 twier (*tuyere*)  
 —twlgd  
 twil, -d  
 —twlnd (*d=ned*)  
 —twinkl  
 —twirld  
 —twicht  
 —twitterd  
 ty- (*see ti-*)

**U**

—udderd  
 ulcerativ  
 umber, -d  
 umbret  
**un-** (*see note, "omitted forms."*)  
**under-** (*see note, "omitted forms."*)  
 —uniformd  
 univalv, -d  
**up-** (*see note, "omitted forms."*)  
 —upholsterd

**uranograpy**  
 urem(*ia, -ic*)  
**urln**  
 —urnd  
**ursin**  
 —usherd  
 —usurpt  
**uterin**  
 utilize  
 —utterd

**V**

**vacc(in** (*or -ine*)  
 —valid  
 —valanst (*st=ced*)  
**valkir, -ian, -le** (*i<sup>1</sup>=y*)  
**vall(y, -les**  
 valor, -ous  
 valorization  
**valv, -d**  
 —vamp  
 —vand  
**vangard** (*a<sup>2</sup>=ua*)  
 —vanisht  
 —vanquisht  
 vapor, -d; -ish, -ize, -ous  
 —varl(**d, -clord**)  
 —varnisht  
**vasel(in** (*or -ine*)  
 vaudevil  
**vedet**  
 —veerd  
 vegetativ  
 —vell  
 —velnd  
 —veneerd  
 —venomd  
**ventilativ**  
 ventriloquize  
 veranda  
 vermuth  
**versatil**  
 versicolor  
 —verst  
**verv**  
**vestrman** (*i=y*)  
 —vext  
 vial  
**vibrat(II, -iv**  
 victimize  
 —victual(**d, -ing; -er**)  
**videt**  
 —viewd  
**vlgnet**  
 vigor, -ous

villan(*y, -ous*)  
**vinaigret**  
**vindicativ**  
**vindictiv**  
 —vinegard (*d=ed*)  
**violativ**  
**viperin**  
**viril**  
 —visiord  
 visualize  
 vitalize  
**vitulin**  
**vituperativ**  
 vizor, -d  
 vocalize  
**vocativ**  
 —voist (*st=ced*)  
**volatil, -ize**  
**voil(y, -ld; -les**  
 —volunteerd  
**votiv**  
 —voucht  
 —vowd  
 —vowel(**d, -ing**)  
 vulcanize  
 vulgarize  
**vulpin**

**W**

—wabbld  
 —waddld  
 —waferd  
 —wagd  
 —wagerd  
 —waggld  
 wagon, -d, -ing; -et  
 —walld  
 —wainscot(**ed, -ing**)  
**walv, -d**  
 —wakend  
 —wald (*d=led*)  
 —walkt  
 —wallopt  
 —wallowd  
 —waltzt  
 —wanderd  
 —wantond  
 —warld  
 —ward (*d=red*)  
 —warmd  
 —warnd  
 —warpt  
 —washt  
 —wassald  
 —watcht

—water(d, -markt, *etc.*  
 —wattld  
 —wauld  
 —waverd  
 —waxt  
 —weakend  
 —weand  
 —wearid  
 weav, -d  
 weazand  
 weazel  
 —weazend  
 —webd  
 —wedgd  
 —weend  
 —weighd  
 wel, -d; -bred, *etc.*  
 —welcomd  
 —welsht  
 —welterd  
 welth, -y  
 wepon, -d  
 wer  
 wether, -d; -wize, *etc.*  
 —whackt  
 —wharft  
 wharvs  
 —wheedld  
 —wheeld  
 wheez, -d  
 —wheikt  
 —whelmd  
 —wheipt  
 whlf, -t  
 —whifld  
 —whlmperd  
 whimsy  
 —whinnid  
 whippoorwli  
 —whipt  
 whlr, -d  
 —whlrld  
 —whisht  
 —whiskerd  
 —whiskt  
 whisk(y, -ies  
 —whisperd  
 —whlstld  
 —whltend  
 whitlether (*e<sup>l</sup> = ea*)  
 —whltld  
 whlz, -d  
 —whoopt  
 —whopt  
 —whorld  
 —wlekerd

—wlekt  
 —widend  
 —widowd  
 wier  
 wierd  
 —wlgd  
 —wiggld  
 —wigwagd  
 wil, -ful  
 —willowd  
 —wimpld  
 —windowd  
 —windrowd  
 —wingd  
 —winkt  
 —winnowd  
 —winst (*st = ced*)  
 —winterd  
 —wisht  
 —wlspt  
 —witeht  
 with, -t (*with*e)  
 —witherd  
 —witnest  
 wize  
 wizeaker  
 —wizend  
 wo, -es; -ful; -begon  
 —wolft  
 wolvs  
 —wombd  
 —wonderd  
 wool(eu, -y  
 —workt  
 —wormd  
 —worrid  
 —worship(t, -ing; -er  
 —wrangld  
 —wrapt  
 —wreakt  
 wreath, -d (*or -t*)  
 —wreckt  
 —wrencht  
 —wrestld  
 —wriggld  
 —wringd  
 —wrinkld  
 —wrongd

## X

xanth(ein, -in  
 xerofil, -ous  
 xerofit(e, -ic  
 xfold, -lan  
 xilem

xilo- (xylo-), *etc.*  
 xilo(carpous, -fagous,  
   -gen, -nite, *etc.*  
 xilofon(e, -ist  
 xilograf, -ic, -y  
 xister  
 xy- (*see* xl-)

## Y

—yammerd  
 —yankt  
 —yapt  
 —yarnd  
 —yawd  
 —yawnd  
 —yawpt  
 —yelept  
 —yeand  
 —yearnd  
 yeg, -man  
 yel, -d  
 —yellowd  
 —yelpt  
 —yodel(d, -ing; -er  
 —yolkt  
 yoman, -like, -ry  
 yourselfs  
 —yowld  
 yu  
 yung, -er, -est, -ish, -  
   -ling, -ster  
 yunker

## Z

zaffer  
 zanthoxilum  
 zefir (*f = ph; i = y*)  
 zelot, -ry  
 zealous  
 zlgoma, -tic (*i = y*)  
 zlgomorf(ous, -ic  
 zlgosp(ore, -erm  
 —zlgzagd  
 zlmase  
 zlm(e, -ic, -ology,  
   -ometer, -osis, -otic  
 zincograf(y, -er, -ic  
 —zlnet  
 zoofag(an, -ous  
 zoofit(e, -ic  
 zoogeograf(y, -er, -ic  
 zoograf(y, -er, -ic, -ist  
 zoril  
 zy- (*see* zl-)



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anser(d)	fixt	tel
ar	giv	telephone
askt	hav	(al)tho
bil(d)	insted	thoro(ly, -fare, etc.)
buro	liv(d)	thru(out)
catalog	program	twelv
det	reciet	wil
engin	reciev(d)	yu

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